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## Webb, Edwards Rally Dems



By RACHEL NANITA  
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, Sept. 26, four prominent Democratic politicians spoke at the University of Mary Washington in a rally for Jim Webb, the state's 2006 democratic candidate for U.S. Senate. The rally was hosted by UMW's Legislative Action Committee (LAC).

Several other leading politicians spoke at the rally for Webb. They included John Edwards, who ran for John Kerry's vice-president in the 2004 presidential election, Shawn O'Donnell, democratic candidate for Congress in 2006, and Virginia State Senator, Ed Houck, led the rally. The event was held on the balcony of Lee Hall.

The speakers, who ascended the stage with Tom Petty's "I Won't Back Down" playing in the background, were well supported by the large turnout of democrats, but met some opposition from republican protesters supporting George Allen, the Virginia republican candidate for the 2006 senate race.

LAC chair and senior Sara Byrd introduced the speakers.

"I think that we can all, despite party differences, definitely appreciate the opportunity that we're given to participate in this dynamic democracy that we share here in the United States of America," Byrd said.

In his speech, Webb touched on three major themes he thinks need to be changed in order for the country to have a better future. The themes include the country's national security measures and foreign policy, economic fairness and social justice and the abusive power of the presidency since 9/11.

Former vice presidential candidate John Edwards (right) was one of several politicians who spoke at a rally Tuesday afternoon for Jim Webb (left), Virginia's democratic candidate for senator.

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## Laptop Thefts Strike Trinkle

By STEPHANIE TAIT  
Editor In Chief

The laptop thefts that plagued campus last spring have returned with the recent theft of \$4,400 worth of computers.

University police report that someone stole two laptops, a Toshiba and a Dell, from Trinkle Hall room 43 between Sept. 22 and 25.

These thefts come in the wake of the theft of two iMac computers and a ceiling-mounted LCD projector, valued at \$6,700, from Pollard Hall over the summer.

Lt. David Cooper, with the University police, said these thefts appear to be perpetrated by people who are not affiliated with the University.

"We don't have enough info to say for sure," Cooper said. "But at least students would know where to go more so than people who are local."

Cooper said that University police also received reports that the frames of two doors, valued at \$1,000, in Trinkle Hall were damaged in an attempt to break into Trinkle B15, which houses the computer servers for the building.

Faculty reported nothing missing after the break-in.

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## New Sign Unveiled

By KATY BURNELL  
Assistant News Editor

The first of three signs billed for reconstruction on the Fredericksburg campus now welcomes visitors to the University of Mary Washington, not Mary Washington College.

Finishing touches made to the sign at the corner of College Avenue and William Street came just in time to greet guests for new president William J. Frawley's inauguration this weekend.

Frawley's predecessor, former President William Anderson, who spearheaded the controversial campaign to change the school's name two years ago, authorized the project before retiring this July.

Anderson's landscape architect, Bill Spell, lobbied to retain the word "college" in the new sign, but was voted down despite Anderson's promise in a 2001 memo to preserve the character of Mary Washington College after moving to University status.

In this widely-circulated document Anderson addressed the campus community's anxieties over the name change:

"All discussions about university status and an umbrella name have been with the assurance that the name 'Mary Washington College' must be retained forever, that the name always be highly



Katy Burnell/Bullet

Workers unveiled the new UMW sign at the corner of College Avenue and William Street last Monday.

visible for purposes of marketing the college, and that the name will always be used to refer to the undergraduate liberal arts program as it exists on the Fredericksburg campus."

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## Contraception Clinic Back In Action

By ELIZABETH KRIESCH  
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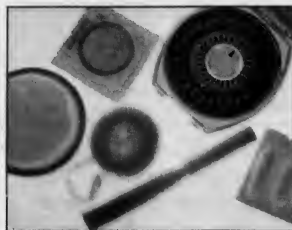
Despite some setbacks, the University of Mary Washington's Wellness Peer Educators club has recently bounced back into action. The Club lost nearly all of last year's members to graduation and their previous club adviser due to a job change.

Current club members have spent the first month of the semester getting organized, and will resume offering semi-weekly contraceptive classes at the health center within the next few weeks.

"The problem with college is that people leave and graduate, so this fall we had almost a clean slate," said L. Timmes Ross, director

of women's services at the UMW health center and adviser to Wellness Peer Educators. "Luckily this year we have seen a tremendous amount of student involvement and interest, which has helped us get things going."

According to junior Megan Vaughan-Albert, president of Wellness Peer Educators, student interest in the club



Nearly 70 UMW students expressed interest in teaching the contraceptive classes this semester.

Vaughan-Albert is hopeful that this increased participation will allow the club to offer more classes this year than they have previously.

The free contraceptive courses designed to educate students on sexual health information are open

to anyone interested. Topics covered include contraceptive options, sexually transmitted infections and women's health.

The classes are also a requirement for students who are interested in obtaining birth control pill prescriptions from the health center.

The students in Wellness Peer Educators who are interested in teaching the contraceptive courses are required to attend a training session led by Ross: the first of which has already been offered.

According to Ross, the courses will all be team-taught this year, and all students teaching the courses will be required to sign a

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## 5 Day Forecast



TODAY

T-Storms

High: 81  
Low: 55



FRIDAY

Partly Cloudy

High: 70  
Low: 46



SATURDAY

Mostly Sunny

High: 73  
Low: 56



SUNDAY

T-Storms

High: 73  
Low: 51



MONDAY

Sunny

High: 75  
Low: 53

## Verbatim ...

"Do you ever just stop and think to yourself, 'Damn, my ass looks fabulous?'"

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# News

## News Shorts

### NATION

Washington, D.C.: The Bush administration released excerpts Tuesday of a leaked U.S. intelligence report, much of which points to the war in Iraq as being the fuel for "deep resentment" in the Muslim world. In response to the document, President Bush stated "because of our successes against the leadership of al-Qaeda, the enemy is becoming more diffuse and independent."

—washingtonpost.com

Washington, D.C.: The House Wednesday passed a bill that would make accompanying a minor across state lines for an abortion without parental notification a federal offense. Touts of the bill argue that it promotes respect for both family ties and state laws

—nytimes.com

Steubenville, Ohio: Residents of a city known for having some of the country's most polluted air have helped the EPA pass several laws and acts setting standards for emissions and other pollutants, closing down many factories and plants. Studies of the residents began in the 1970s and continue today, where Steubenville is a much healthier, and poorer, place. The main sources of pollution were also the main sources of income—the steel factories.

—nytimes.com

### WORLD

Paris: Scientists have discovered that Lisa Gherardini, better known as Mona Lisa, had just given birth to her second child when she sat for the painting that would make her a legend. A new technique has allowed scientists to look into the layers of paint to see the maternity style of clothing Gherardini was wearing, a technique which has also given much information on the condition of Da Vinci's most famous painting.

—nytimes.com

Berlin: A famous opera house has cancelled its production of the Mozart opera "Idomeneo" for fears that its depiction of the Prophet Muhammad's severed head would incite violence around the world and put the participants at risk, especially in the wake of Pope Benedict XVI's recent comments about the Islamic prophet. Political and cultural figures in the country have raised objection to the move, calling it an act of censorship.

—nytimes.com

Kandahar, Afghanistan: Afghanistan has suffered two bombings since Tuesday, killing 20 people. One of the attacks was by a suicide bomber who approached a crowd at a military checkpoint. Incidents such as these are becoming more deadly and frequent, as 150 civilians have been killed by suicide bombings this year.

—washingtonpost.com

### WEIRD

Mesa, Ariz.: At least 15 people helped a 14-year-old boy who was struggling to operate a stick-shift car, even giving him driving lessons, without realizing he was stealing the car. When the mistake was realized, the boy and his current helper were taken into custody. They were both released, the woman without charges, the boy to his grandmother.

—AP

Gumee, Ill.: If you eat a live cockroach at Six Flags Great America, you get to cut to the front of the line. Any patron who eats a live Madagascar hissing cockroach qualifies for unlimited line-jumping privileges. Eaters will have to sign waivers before eating the 2-3-inch cockroach.

—AP

Holiday, Fla.: Kevin Jessup, 46, was awoken by a phone call from police at 4 a.m., warning him not to open his front door. "There's an alligator out there," the deputy said. "A large one." Neighbors suggest that the wandering alligator may have something to do with the declining stray cat population.

—AP



## Police Beat

By STEPHANIE TAIT  
Editor in Chief



**Sept. 15**—Police received a report that someone broke a window, valued at \$100, in the front of Trinkle Hall. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

**Sept. 15**—At 12:30 p.m., police received a report that someone stole a book bag containing a cell phone, credit cards, a Mary Washington ID and cash from Seacobeck Hall. Police estimate the value of the items at \$115. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

**Sept. 17**—At 10:40 p.m., an officer on duty discovered a homeless female asleep on the steps in the stairwell of a building at the UMW Apartments. Police issued the 59-year-old female a trespass warning.

**Sept. 18**—At 11:41 p.m., it was reported to

police that the A-frame leg from a barricade in George Washington Circle was stolen. According to police, they later located the leg.

**Sept. 20**—At 11:55 a.m., police received a report that a 19-year-old female resident of Randolph Hall fell and injured her knee in Goolrick Hall.

**Sept. 20**—At 9:40 p.m., a resident assistant in Jefferson Hall reported to police that a female resident was intoxicated in the second floor study and had minor cuts. According to police, the Fredericksburg Rescue Squad transported the student to Mary Washington Hospital.

**Sept. 21**—Police received a report that someone painted "sin-drone" in blue paint on the walls of level one of the parking garage. Police estimate damages at \$120. There are no

suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

**Sept. 22**—At 11:07 a.m., a student reported to police that she found a decal stuck to her vehicle. Police located the vehicle from which the decal was missing and issued that student a new decal.

**Sept. 23**—Residence life staff reported to police that an 18-year-old female resident of Virginia Hall was intoxicated and sick. According to police, the student refused treatment.

**Sept. 24**—At 1 a.m., police received a report that an 18-year-old female resident of Russell Hall was intoxicated after celebrating her birthday. Fredericksburg Rescue Squad transported the student to Mary Washington Hospital.

# Webb Rally Draws Crowd

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"It's the wrong leaders in our institution who are not taking care of the working people in this country," Webb said. "It's time for change."

"I think that Mr. Webb will be an exceptionally good senator and I think that this could be a real change for this state," said Patricia Rice, Fredericksburg resident and Jim Webb supporter.

Susan Mullane, assistant director of operations at UMW's Jepsen Alumni Center, attended the event mostly to hear Edwards speak, but also with the intent to learn more about Webb and his stance on controversial political issues.

"I think this is an especially exciting event for our campus," Mullane said. "And it truly honors our university status, having an important political figure here."

John Edwards, whose wife attended Mary Washington for two years, spoke after Webb. He focused his speech mostly on international disputes and conflicts, including the genocides occurring in Darfur, AIDS, poverty and Israel the and Hezbollah conflicts.

"What's missing is an understanding among America's leaders about what America's responsibility is... We have a responsibility to humanity," Edwards said. "I grew up in an America where we were the light, we were the model; everyone looked up to the United States of America. We weren't the country of Guantanamo and Abu Ghraib, we are better than this; the United States of America is better than this, and the world needs to see it!"

Edwards also touched on ideas such as raising the minimum wage, the need for a universal



Dan Ceo/ Bulletin

John Edwards poses with sophomore Emily Fornof at the Democratic rally.

health care system and the pressing matter of finding alternative energy sources.

"It is time for us to lead," Edwards said. "We can't wait for somebody else to do this - It is time to ask the American people to be patriotic for something other than war."

The 2006 Senate elections are set to be held Nov. 7, 2006.

Some members from the College Republicans wore George Allen T-shirts and carried "George Allen U.S. Senate" signs. Others carried posters that read, "Jim Webb poisoned my spinach" and "Jim Webb stole my parking spot," among others. One Allen supporter even dressed up in a Spider-Man costume and held a sign that read, "Don't get caught in the Webb of lies."

"We're here to show our support for George Allen because he is a great candidate who's building his campaign on new and fresh ideas," said Andrew Lamar, chairman of the UMW College Republicans and state chairman of the College Republican Federation of Virginia. "Allen is running a positive campaign and unfortunately we feel that Jim Webb is doing a campaign that is basically slandering George Allen."

Tom Allison, senior English and political science major, attended the rally, and thought the Allen supporters acted inappropriately.

"It's one thing for the opposition to show presence at an opponents rally, like holding a George Allen sign, but I think that having complete fabrications to the point where it reaches silliness, i.e.: 'Jim Webb poisoned my spinach' and 'Jim Webb hates women,' is offensive and not constructive," Allison said.

Allison Baker, a four-year member of the campus' Young Democrats, was pleased to see such a great turnout at the event, despite party differences.

"I am just really glad to see students getting politically active for this race," Baker said. "And it's good to see republicans and democrats getting together in a place that is generally conservative."

## New Sign Reflects University Status

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Changing the sign to read University of Mary

Washington instead of Mary Washington College makes practical sense, according to Ranny Corbin, executive assistant to President Frawley and overseer of the project.

"All campus maps, directions, highway and city signs direct visitors to the University of Mary Washington," Corbin said. "The new sign provides a sense of arrival."

Richmond-based landscape architect Bill Spell agreed with Corbin, adding that the new sign gives Mary Washington a sense of identity.

Spell drove to Fredericksburg last Friday to deliver the bronze seal that sits atop the reconstructed brick sign at the corner of College Avenue and William Street. He also wanted to catch a glimpse of the plan he designed in concert

with long-time friend William Anderson.

"I like it. I was concerned about the choice of brick color at first, but it turned out well," Spell said, running his hand along the waist-high wall.

Spell had only been standing by the sign for a few minutes when a local man "in a beat-up old truck" started heckling him while waiting at a red light.

"He shouted out something about how much taxpayer money was going into putting up these fancy brick signs," Spell said. "I just told him, 'Man, a lot.'"

Plans have been made to update two additional signs that currently bear the traditional Mary Washington College logo, but so far there is no timeline for renovation, according to Corbin. The signs awaiting construction are located at the intersection of College Avenue and Jefferson Davis Highway, and William Street and Sunken Road, respectively.

## Clinic To Continue Classes

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confidentiality statement.

"As a club we decided the confidentiality statements were a good idea to show people that the students leading the courses are really serious about what they are doing," Ross said.

The Peer Wellness Educators club has a budget of \$400 to work with this year, which Vaughan-Albert says is sufficient to buy materials needed to lead the courses.

Ross said that the club, which also holds other events on campus besides the contraceptive classes, will do fundraising activities should they run out of funds.

Despite having only a few veteran club members, Ross is excited about the success of the program this year, and said the students who have shown interest in teaching the contraceptive courses have been highly committed and dedicated.

"The students are very enthusiastic," she said. "Everyone has contributed in some way to making this happen and having our program be a success."

# Viewpoints

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## Editorial Smell You Later

The University of Mary Washington is a gorgeous campus.

No lie, most freshmen list the aesthetic beauty of the manicured grounds as one of the top reasons they chose UMW over other schools.

The brochures show it all in glossy photos and ordinate descriptions.

What they don't capture is the smell.

That's right, our campus reeks something awful.

The smell usually attacks your nostrils in waves, creeping up in certain areas and then receding right before you suffocate.

Isn't it amazing?

The groundskeepers break their backs day in and day out in an attempt to keep our lawns, trees and flowerbeds in prime condition.

But all that hard work goes to waste when no can appreciate the fruits of their labor because their eyes are watering from the nauseating aroma.

Tait & Teller discovered last year that the stench comes from the smell of raw sewage seeping up through grates in the ground.

Raw sewage?

Something needs to be done.

We can hang as many banners as we want and, while they might make us remember where we go to school, they won't make us forget the smell.

## Stop Darfur Genocide

By ANNA LOWELL  
Guest Columnist

Murder. Rape. Starvation. Of the myriad of atrocities faced by millions of men, women, and children in Darfur, these are among the most vile and appalling.

In what constitutes as the first genocide of the 21st century, non-Arab and African tribal groups in this region of Sudan are the victims of relentless "ethnic cleansing." Such utter carnage is committed at the hands of the Janjaweed, an Arab militia, and tolerated by the Sudanese government.

While pursuing local agendas of controlling land, the Sudanese regime not only condones the Janjaweed but also ensures that these raiders are heavily armed, well-supplied and actively coordinating with its ground and air forces.

Peter Takirambudde of the Human Rights Watch remarks, "It's absurd to distinguish between the Sudanese government forces and the militias—they are one."

Indeed, Sudanese president Omar Hassan al-Bashir remains the only impediment between the entry of U.N. peacekeeping forces and the aid to 2.5 million displaced victims. That is precisely why international leaders should turn up the pressure and demand admittance of peacekeepers.

After all, genocide is not merely a domestic affair; it is a world crisis.

The situation in Darfur also posits a complex introspection within ourselves.

As a student, I urge cognizance of global issues; but as a human, I further urge a call to our conscience. Beyond the stage of awareness stands the stage of action.

Though we naturally turn only to our microcosms, we must act with moral urgency at the macrocosmic level. If we are to help end the suffering and violence, we can no longer stand idly by in silence.

After genocide in Rwanda, many Americans pledged "never again" and "not on our watch." However, the U.S. to date lacks a coherent international system in place for responding to genocide.

What does exist is futile finger-pointing, all while the slaughter continues. If intervention in Iraq merits moral motives, then what role should the U.S. play in Darfur? Reactions to this question have spanned from President Bush and other high-ranking government officials to universities, religious institutions, non-profit organizations and celebrities like George Clooney.

Condoleezza Rice says the Sudanese government needs to understand that no one is trying to impinge on Sudanese sovereignty.

world's worst humanitarian crisis is occurring.

Nationwide, there have been waves of criticism disseminated through petitions, rallies, newspaper articles and local news stories.

As a form of protest, Harvard, Stanford, Dartmouth, Yale, Amherst and Brown have all divested from some of the multinational companies currently doing business in Sudan. Divestment and sanction campaigns in the past have been successfully launched against foreign governments such as South Africa's apartheid regime.

Even if this strategy does not compel the Sudanese government to completely stop the genocide, it may reduce revenues while simultaneously raising the issue's profile in the U.S.

We can also do our part by writing to government officials and requesting that they push for immediate deployment of the already authorized U.N. peacekeeping force, strengthen the understaffed African Union force in Darfur (whose mandate expires on September 30), negotiate a fair and lasting Peace Agreement and increase humanitarian aid and ensure access for its delivery.

Rather than dismissing current efforts as well-intentioned, wishful, or idealistic thinking, we must continue to remember humanity before politics, people over possessions, and principles over power.

The UMW Human Rights Club is currently hosting a genocide film series every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in Monroe 104 followed by a club meeting at 8:30 p.m. on the second floor of Monroe Hall. They will also be promoting the nationwide Darfur Fast to be held on October 5. Please visit [timetoprotect.org](http://timetoprotect.org) or contact Marie Troutman at [umwhrc@gmail.com](mailto:umwhrc@gmail.com) for more info.

Anna Lowell is a junior.



Tens of thousands rallied for Darfur on the National Mall in April.

Occupation is not the issue at hand, but "there is a responsibility to protect the weakest and Sudan has not done that, so there will have to be a U.N. force."

Sending consistent, clear messages like this shows that we are not turning our backs to a generation of people in Darfur where the

## Could Our Choice Be Any Clearer?

Candidates For Senate George Allen (R) And Jim Webb (D) Offer Very Different Records To Virginia Voters

By JAMES MARTIN  
Guest Columnist

On Nov. 7, 2006, Virginia voters heading to the polls couldn't possibly be offered with a starker contrast.

The Republican nominee is incumbent George Felix Allen, the son of former Redskins coach George Allen.

The Democratic nominee is Republican-turned-Democrat James Webb, Ronald Reagan's Secretary of the Navy, an Emmy winning journalist and an award winning author.

Most thought George Allen (R) was a shoo-in for re-election, with some polls early in 2006 showing him ahead by 30 or more points, an impressive lead for a man running in a state that continues to trend more Democratic.

That all changed when George Allen used the word "macaca" to reference S.R. Sidarth, an American of Indian descent. You see, "macaca," is French for n\*\*\*\*r, a term commonly used by settlers in North Africa to refer to indigenous

black populations.

The translation might be an innocent mistake if Sen. Allen wasn't a fluent French speaker!

While Sen. Allen decided that it was best not to apologize to Sidarth (he eventually did, 12 days later), the media started taking a hard look into George Allen's past, discovering some very interesting skeletons in his closet!

The Nation did an exposé whose findings included the startling revelation that Senator Allen had associated with the Council of Conservative Citizens (CCC), an organization widely regarded as the successor to the White Citizens Councils. Sen. Allen probably doesn't think it is all that bad. The CCC's only mission is to "oppose all efforts to mix the races of mankind."

However it was Salon Magazine that finally found the jackpot. They interviewed college friends of Allen, only to find that Sen. Allen used the same offensive term frequently throughout college. One friend said "He used the n-word on a regular basis back then," with another

confirming Allen's affinity of the word n\*\*\*\*r. "It was so common with George when he was among his white friends. This is the terminology he used."

Oh and how could I have forgotten that Sen. Allen opposed making Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday a holiday!

In 1969, while Allen was quite fond of displaying the Confederate Flag and spray-painting racial epithets in his own high school, Democratic Nominee Jim Webb was serving valiantly, proudly defending the American flag in Vietnam, and becoming one of the most decorated Marines to ever serve earning The Navy Cross, The Silver Star, two Bronze Stars and two Purple Hearts. This record of service continues to this day, Jim Webb's son, Jimmy Webb, is a Lance Corporal in the United States Marine Corps, currently serving in Iraq.

These differences are only the beginning. While George Allen was blindly voting for George Bush's War in Iraq, Jim Webb was one of the earliest and most outspoken opponents to the

war, calling a potential invasion of Iraq "the greatest strategic blunder in modern memory," an assessment that proved all too true.

More importantly, George Allen is a yes-man for the failed policies of President Bush (he votes with the President 97 percent of the time), while Jim Webb has worked across party lines serving in both Republican and Democratic administrations. Whether it be as Ronald Reagan's Secretary of the Navy, or as the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Jim Webb has always done and will continue to do what is right, not what party bosses tell him to do.

The election in 2006 offers all Virginians a clear choice between the brave independent leadership of Democrat James Webb and that of Republican George Allen, a man not fit to serve in the United States senate in 1806 let alone 2006.

James Martin is the Teen and High School Chair for the Virginia Young Democrats and is currently a freshman.

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# UMW Student Goes Global: Sees World Cup First Hand

By **RACHEL NANIA**  
Staff Writer

Two Christmas's ago when my parents asked my sister and I what we wanted for Christmas, my soccer-crazed sister unabashedly replied, "Tickets to the 2006 World Cup in Germany."

I was positive there was no way my parents would spring for that. A trip to Europe, not to mention the cost of tickets, would count as Christmas and birthday presents for the rest of her life.

But to my surprise, my parents agreed.

"There is no way we will actually go to the World Cup," my dad said to me. "Do you know how many people apply for tickets? We are just going to put in an application to make your sister happy."

It turns out that we got tickets, and the tickets that we were "never going to get" were for the England vs. Sweden game in Cologne, Germany, a historic European city on the Rhine River.

We were all excited about the trip. My parents wanted to see the important museums and churches, my sister wanted to be around "real soccer fans" and I was just a little anxious about the idea of seeing David Beckham up close. But none of us were prepared for the intensity, the chaos and the excitement that the games brought to Europe.

After a night of traveling on a red-eye out of Dulles International Airport, our plane landed in Amsterdam at 6 a.m. I was now in Europe unfortunately my luggage wasn't.

"I don't understand," I said. "If it is not here, where is it?"

The Dutch woman on the other side of the United counter assured me that my luggage was not lost, but, conveniently enough, still in Washington, D.C.

After I cooled off, we dropped our luggage off at the hotel and decided to walk around the city, being sure to make the most of our two-day visit to Holland. I didn't know much about Amsterdam, other than its famous red-light district and "coffee shops," but its canals, museums and wide array of international shops and restaurants made for a fun sex-and-drug-free day.

Needless to say, The World Cup spirit was definitely in the air. Outdoor bars filled up

around afternoon game-time and orange banners, shirts and jerseys saying "Hup Hup Holland!" flew everywhere.

Thanks to jet lag, I woke up at 6 a.m. the next morning. I decided to go for a walk and get some coffee--some real coffee, not "coffee."

To my surprise, my luggage had arrived at the hotel while I was gone.

## First Person

Shortly after, we embarked on our journey to Germany.

The scenic train ride to Cologne was only a few short hours, taken up mostly by views of windmills, some reading and making friends with complete strangers.

My favorite was the tale told by the British soccer fans sitting across from us, on their way to the England-Sweden game, without tickets. I asked the fan how he expected to get tickets, when he opened a suitcase overflowing with navy blue and red "England" flip-flops.

"I am going to make enough money selling these to buy a scalped ticket," he told me. "And look, I even have pink ones for the girls."

Upon stepping foot into the Cologne train station, my eyes were immediately directed up toward a dome-like ceiling, painted like a church dome, only this one was decorated with soccer players from around the world. It was truly amazing.

In fact, the entire train station was decked out, head to toe, in World Cup paraphernalia, including vendors selling famous jerseys and international flags and to big screen TVs showing game highlights.

As we stepped out of the station, rolling our bags behind us, we all stopped, awe struck, by the view of what was before us, the Dom cathedral, a cathedral built in 1248 that can be seen from all around the city.

As we attempted to cross the street, still staring upward at the church, we were blocked off by police and road barricades. We all wondered what was going on, especially when people began to line up along the road blocks holding signs and waving British flags. My sister asked the guy next to her, an obvious England fan, what was going on.

"That's England's hotel," the guy said in a thick British accent. "The team is staying there. They are getting ready to board their bus to go to practice."

At that point, the team starting filing out of the hotel lobby, the fans started screaming, and my sister started pushing her way up to the front of the crowd to take pictures. I was just hoping for a glimpse of the gorgeous David Beckham, which I got.

On the subway, en route to our hotel, we passed a park that appeared to be the Swedish fan campsite. The park was crowded with hundreds of people dressed in blue and yellow, hanging out or kicking a soccer ball around. Banners reading, "Sweden loves Germany," "Sweden loves Beckenbauer," (a famous German soccer player) and "Sweden loves gold" hung from the fence surrounding the park.

After a quick nap and showers at the hotel, we decided to go back into the city and explore. We went into the Dom, walked across the bridge over the Rhine, shopped at some local stores and ate lunch on the lawn of the beer gardens. This proved to be the most crowded spot in the city we had been to all day.

The lawn was spilling over with Germans, Britons, Swedes and people from all around the world. Everyone was wearing the jersey of his or her favorite team, drinking, talking, cheering, singing and enjoying the excitement that the World Cup created.

Later on in the afternoon, an extensive crowd gathered around the Dom. Curious to see what all the excitement was about, we made our way over to the packed cathedral, only to see an enormous screen hanging from the back of the church, as well as an equally large, colorful sign that read "Fan Fest."

As it turns out, Germany was playing Ecuador in Berlin, and they were showing the game on the big screen to whoever wanted to hangout, drink some beer and watch the game.

Everybody was pulling for Germany. Even if you weren't a German fan, it was just the safe thing to do, since you were, inevitably, surrounded by hundreds of them. Cheers of "Deutschland! Deutschland!" resonated, and red, black and yellow colors flew everywhere.



Courtesy/Rachel Nania  
Rachel Nania and her sister in Germany with fanatical German soccer fans chanting "Go Deutschland." Nania and her family traveled across the world to experience World Cup fever first hand.

My sister and I stayed at Fan Fest for a while, and then decided to go see what else was going on, since we had finally convinced our parents we would be fine for a few hours on our own. Just behind the Dom we discovered a few streets filled with shops, restaurants, cafes and of course, vendors selling any World Cup souvenir one could think of.

As we made our way into the crowd, we noticed the color scheme changed from red, yellow and black, to red, white and navy. We knew we had stumbled across the England fans. Even though there was not an England game on at the moment, the fans were no quieter than the German fans down the street.

A group of guys in red and white jerseys (England) were running around trying to snap as many pictures as they could with guys in blue and yellow jerseys (Sweden). And what I assumed would start a fight between the fans of opposing teams, turned into a few laughs and some pats on the back.

"Time to start making new friends," my sister said in response to the friendliness between the Brits and Swedes.

I loved everything about Germany so far; the people, the language, the culture... the beer, but I am not going to lie, the food was not my favorite. That night we had a quick dinner at a German pub, and I decided to order a bratwurst, thinking it would be the thing most similar to a hot dog, but it turns out I had just ordered liver.

We rushed back to the hotel so my sister and dad could make it to Rhine stadium on time. I painted an England flag on their faces, and my sister wrapped the England flag around her body like a dress; my dad just opted for the Gerrard jersey.

The following morning we left the hotel at 5 a.m. only to find a group of five guys sitting around a table filled with empty beer bottles, began singing, "He's Roooney - He's our boy Roooney" over and over again, only allowing interruptions for giggles.

I knew the World Cup would be one, big, giant party, but I did not expect so many people to be attending this party, and I did not expect the host to be so prepared and hospitable.

*My parents wanted to see the important museums and churches, my sister wanted to be around "real soccer fans" and I was just a little anxious about the idea of seeing David Beckham up close.*

-Rachel Nania



Courtesy/Rachel Nania  
Fans of England's famed soccer team were among many who gathered on the steps of the Dom cathedral to drink beer, watch the soccer game and cheer for their favorite teams.

## The Word On The Street: Essential Slang Terms For UMW Party-goers

By **KERRI SCALES & TIERNEY MCAFEE**  
Features Editor & Assistant Features Editor



1.) **Sharking:** This is a term used to describe someone who purposefully stays sober so they can more easily spot the drunkest party-goer and try to score. The shark-bait can be either male or female, but either way the waters at UMW are dangerous so beware of the fin.

i.e. Why aren't you drinking Gary? You plan on sharking that girl after she has a few more shots?

2.) **Rock Star Parking:** Getting the parking spot closest to the party. Either this person showed up way too early or they're trying to show off their sweet ride. Don't risk the DUI, ride a bike or take a nice walk. Nobody likes a rock star parker anyways.

i.e. Yeah he got rock star parking but he's been at this party since 7:30 p.m.

3.) **Shoulder Surfing:** Ever thought the conversation was going well only to have your partner

run off with a hotter version of you? You were a victim of shoulder surfing. A phrase describing the act of constantly looking over the shoulder of the person you're talking to in an attempt to find someone better looking or cooler to talk to. If you encounter one of these surfers, send them back on their boards and into the chop.

i.e. You better not go home with that guy, I saw him shoulder surfing while he was talking to you.

4.) **S.N.A.G.:** Sensitive New Age Guy. You know the type. Sipping a wine cooler, talking about relationships, pining after the girl they've been too shy to approach for two years. A S.N.A.G. is similar to a metro but more shy and sensitive. Usually found talking about their feelings, hanging with the girls but never getting any.

i.e. We tried to get him to go to the game with us, but all the S.N.A.G. wanted to do was sit around and watch "The Notebook" with his girlfriend.

5.) **Dinner Whore:** A girl who uses her looks to get special privileges, free meals and a free Solo cup at a party. Protect your wallets fellas, she's only after one thing: the benjamins.

i.e. Not only did she try to get a free cup, she tried to get me to take her to Chipotle, my treat. She's such a dinner whore.

Helpful tips from your favorite *Bullet* staff...please take with a grain of salt. And if you are the culprit...stop doing it, seriously you're scaring us.



# Entertainment



Julie Skarwecki/Bullet

The members of Silent Film Star rest up. The band was recently barred from playing at The Loft.

## Band Banned From Downtown Venue

By JULIE SKARWECKI  
Staff Writer

As the five members of local band Silent Film Star discovered recently, passion and talent aren't always enough to impress local venues. After presenting at The Loft on Sept. 13, Fredericksburg locals Brent Garis, Jon Russel, Mike Zepeda, Mark Hill, and Tyler Williams were informed that they had played their last show.

"We have had nothing but problems with them," said George Hope, manager of The Loft. "The band finished their set by trashing the stage, during which they knocked one of our monitors off the stage and broke some equipment."

Clearly not familiar with the somewhat violent energy of young rock stars, Hope officially barred the band from playing at The Loft in the future. This proved no roadblock for the boys, who have since played at KC's, Westmoreland Hall and have recently been promised a spot on local radio station 101.5's rotation.

One might wonder how the ban might affect their success.

"Basically we're going to keep doing what we're doing," lead vocalist and keyboard master Russel said. "The goal is to not have to work a job that you hate to be able to make music, tour and make a living."

Since its birth seven months ago, Silent Film Star has acquired

a rapidly growing fan base consisting mostly of college students. With a mix of classic hooks, experimental elements, soulful vocals and enough on-stage energy to fill any venue with the sweet smell of inevitable fame, their rising popularity comes as no surprise.

Climbing the rock-star ladder has been anything but glamorous for the band, according to percussion-extraordinaire Williams.

"You've given up school, you can't work these jobs," Williams said. "Even a little success feels like a mountaintop you've climbed over."

With no outside funding and with venues such as The Loft paying only sixty dollars a show, the boys rely on their own finances to reach their objective. Russel spends his time working at downtown restaurant J. Brian's, while

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-Jon Russel

guitarists Garis, Zepeda, and UMW student bassist Hill sell jeans to forty-year-old men and women and lift boxes and sweat and be manly at Express.

Approaching financial difficulties with admirable ease, Silent

Film Star recorded an untitled demo CD this past summer with Justin Carrico and Robert Scott, available via [myspace.com/silentfilmstar](http://myspace.com/silentfilmstar). The first track, Long Awaited Letdown, beautifully showcases the various influences brought by each member of the band. Attributing their individual styles to artists ranging from Coldplay and Led Zeppelin to Bloc Party and Sigur Ros, the culminating effect offers various elements sure to appeal to any listener.

While the CD offers a tighter sound and more distinguished components, the artistic achievements of Silent Film Star lie mostly in their live shows. They are next booked to play on Sept. 29 at Fred Skates on Caroline Street.

**Silent Film Star  
Playing at Fred Skates  
Sept. 29.  
Cost: FREE**

## "Jackass" Makes A Mule Of Itself At The Box Office

By MIKE SZYDILOWSKI  
Staff Writer

Flying the black flag of suburban insanity high upon the stern of an oversized shopping cart, the original *schadenfreude* army (without Chris Raab) rides again in "Jackass Number Two."

The second assault by the Jackass crew brings exotic locations, expensive equipment and a Lamborghini, but the boys still remain true to form. The theme song remains intact and Johnny Knoxville is still willing to do anything for a laugh. Ryan Dunn hasn't cut his hair, Preston Lacy hasn't lost weight and the entire film has the trademark homemade feel that captured the

nation's imagination so many moons ago.

The original film was shot for around a modest five million dollars, but the new one cost the team a bit more. According to "USA Today," eleven million was pumped into "Number Two," and it shows. Rocket-propelled bicycles and shopping carts are only the start of the new flick. Sure, in the previous film Steve-O had a hair-raising moment with an alligator and some chicken meat, but the guys up the ante the second time around with sharks, anacondas, and a swarm of bees. To viewers of "Wildboyz," these creatures will seem almost commonplace and of course Manny Puig is on hand to keep the beasts under control while Steve-O and Chris Pontius

cheat death. Fans of Bam Margera's hit TV show *Viva La Bam* won't be disappointed either; April and Phil Margera each get their screen time and take their licks from their adoring son (Bam Margera).

Complicated and boring elements such as plot lines and character development are eschewed so as not to interfere with the stream of pranks and pain but the movie isn't without some traditional Hollywood star power.

Special guests John Waters, Three Six Mafia and Tony Hawk (among others) lend the film their special brands of prestige. Even with all that star power, Knoxville's merry band is such a phenomenon that the other appearances may

only be noted by true aficionados.

That said, I would rather do every stunt in the movie by myself than see it again. At best, this film is what didn't make the first movie and table scraps from "Viva La Bam," "Wildboyz," "Jackass," "Camp Kill Yourself," and "Homewrecker."

At worst, it's a realization of that fact by the creators and a botched attempt at pushing the envelope even further. Whereas the original movie and the show were a collection of stunts that any bored suburban kids might have tried, the stunts in the sequel seem manufactured. Save yourself eight bucks, stay home and watch the reruns on TV.

## the Spotlight

By WILL COPPES  
Assistant Entertainment Editor

Lupe Fiasco has been hailed as the savior of rap by the in-the-know for months now, and with the long-delayed "Food and Liquor" finally releasing last Tuesday, it's easy to see where the hype was coming from.

While this album is not the penultimate rap album, or such a musical force as to necessitate change on the rap scene, Fiasco's album is

groundbreaking. Not only does he avoid the stereotypes of rapping about "bitches and hoes," he raps against the degradation of women and skateboarding. Fiasco's lyrics are so refreshing that they serve as poetry not only for the ears but for the mind.

The downside of this album is the production. While some of the beats work very well, a lot of them seem like they could have used more care. Some seem like half-baked ideas that were just dropped, only to be picked up again later and rushed onto the album to make a deadline. Others do a much better job though.

"Food and Liquor" is very backloaded. I found myself barely being carried by the phenomenal "Kick, Push" through the first eight songs. However, once track nine hit, the album had me. Not only does the production seem better, the

rhymes seem fresher and the songs feature fantastic guest spots, most notably from album producer Jay-Z himself.



Image courtesy of allmusic.com

Track ten, "The Cool," sounds like modern rap at its best, great production, heavy bass and great flow from Fiasco. If you are into rap, regardless of if you are looking for something less formulaic or not, be sure to check out "Food and Liquor."

**Check out nine songs off  
"Food and Liquor" at  
[myspace.com/lupefiasco](http://myspace.com/lupefiasco)**



# What've you overheard on campus this week?

Zach Bowman/Bullet

## Editor's Note

That's right. I did it. I tampered with the holy relic that is question of the week. I did it for you though, I promise. Consider this a trial run. If you like it, from now on we'll ask you guys what you've overheard on campus. If you hear something you can't wait to share with the world, send it to me at [zbownm8jc@umw.edu](mailto:zbownm8jc@umw.edu) and if it's side-splitting and funny or outright outrageous, you'll see it here. Or, if you have a better idea for this slim section of our paper, tell me. Then again, if you can't live without your precious QOTW, e-mail me anyway. Tell me to bring it back and why you miss it. This is your space Mary Wash, tell me how to use it.

Zach Bowman,  
Entertainment Editor



"Can I take your life?"

(In reference to cereal)

-Stephanie Tait,  
Editor in Chief



"They shared pot, it was all one big pot, in a haze of pot... I'll stop."

(A cookware laden lecture)

-Kerri Scales,  
Features Editor



"I wanted to hit my drummer over the head with a pick axe, but the second part went well."

(A renegade guitarist)

-Katie Molinaro,  
Assistant Features Editor



"You can't make fun of mullets... In an IHOP... In Virginia."

(To a hair-slandering student)

-Tierney Plumb,  
Associate Editor

## 24 Hour Play Festival Hits UMW

By JULIE SKARWECKI  
Staff Writer

At 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, Mitch Macdonald, Kyle Schuster and Reggie Richards-Pelle came together to begin writing for a play that would be presented in just twenty-four short hours. Actors auditioned only an hour before, with no scripts but those they provided and no idea as to what role they were applying for.

From 7 to 11 p.m., writers developed three fifteen-minute plots which were passed along to directors to start rehearsals. Meanwhile, designers and producers worked into the wee hours of the morning planning the performances. After several hours of rehearsal and only one hour for a dress run, the plays are presented to an audience.

The 24-Hour play festival was held in Studio 115, an entirely student run theatre in the basement of DuPont. Albeit cozy, Studio 115 has a somewhat limiting capacity of only forty-one chairs. This proved problematic for the Festival. As senior Andrew Napier said:

"We decided to have two performances this morning," senior Andrew Napier said. "We sold out for both shows."

The first skit, titled *The Reinvention of Billy Shakes* and starring juniors Karen McCullough and Matt Leuthy, centered around a Shakespeare homework assignment. Within the first minutes the phrase "ejaculatory consciousness" was used, setting the tone for what would follow. "I was a little surprised by the content," Fredericksburg local Sarah Rondeau said, "There was a lot of swearing, and a lot of sex jokes."

"Stuck in the Middle" came next, with junior Reggie Richards-Pelle and sophomore Steve Perkins as playwrights for the Festival arguing over the affections of one girl, played by junior Emily Nelson.

The festival ended with "Maid 'Scapades," with sophomore Samantha Packard and junior Laura Stelling as disillusioned cleaners with hidden talents for song and dance. Perhaps the most random of the three skits, "Maid 'Scapades" elicited the most applause from clearly entertained audience members.



Photo Courtesy of Donna Webster.

Juniors Jareb McCullough and Matt Leuthy participate in the annual 24 hour play festival.

"I found Kyle's particularly hilarious as he based it on the experiences of my roommate working as a maid over the summer," said junior Jesse Kopp, "And also because the 'do you ever just stop and think to yourself: Damn my ass looks fabulous,' was an instant message I sent to him while he was writing the play."

## Rocktoberfest Soon To Rock Campus

By WILL COPPS and MEGHAN COYLE  
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Rocktoberfest just got a little more "indie" with this year's band being none other than the Oxford Collapse. Hailing from Brooklyn, N.Y., lead singer/guitarist Michael Pace and drummer Dan Fetherston formed the original Oxford Collapse as a "joke party band" in 2001. The boys have since cleaned up their act and released two full length CDs. They are set to release "Remember the Night Parties," produced by the acclaimed John Agnello, on October 10th. The album features new bassist Adam Rizer.

The band is constantly compared to 80's post-punk/dance music along the lines of The Embarassment, Mission of Burma, the dBs, Pylon, and the Feelies. "Remember the Night Parties" is the band's debut on the Sub-Pop label, a huge accomplishment for an indie band. This can only help their popularity, as they are already receiving better than average reviews from sources such as PitchforkMedia.com and Spin Magazine.

According to the New York Times, "the band improves on the sound innovated by bands like the Feelies or Television, filling the void for breakneck rock without overblown egos or eardrums."

"Remember the Night Parties" by The Oxford Collapse is a gigantic step forward for an already

good band that has the potential to greatly expand their popularity. You can easily see that more care was not only given to the production, but also to the song writing itself.

The sound of the trio is in the Modest Mouse mold with catchy hooks, weird instruments and a sound that is all over the place in an oddly lovable way. While the album does not come out until October 10, you can check out the lead single, "Please Visit Your National Parks," on [www.myspace.com/theoxfordcollapse](http://www.myspace.com/theoxfordcollapse). While a good song, it is not the best the band has to offer or completely exemplary of what they sound like.

If you get a chance, make sure to listen to "Return of the Burno" or "Let's Vanish." If you like the band at Rocktoberfest, or are a fan of bands like Modest Mouse, this album is definitely worth picking up.

Oxford Collapse will be playing with a cornucopia of other bands that The Bulletin will highlight between now and the Oct. 7 show.

Look For More Band  
Previews In The Bulletin  
Before Rocktoberfest On  
OCT. 5.

## Bullet Hits

### This Week:

### Top Five Things To Do When The Power Goes Out

By MIKE SZYDILOWSKI  
Staff Writer

#### 5) Not watch TV

The average American watches about four hours of TV a day, but when the power goes out it seems like a friend has gone missing. Sponge Bob and Ryan Seacrest sometimes are taken for granted when they're on all the time, but when the screen goes dark in the middle of *Survivor*, it can be heart-wrenching. Fortunately there are many things besides those listed below to do when the wires go dead.

#### 4) Eat a carrot.

It seems like nobody I knew ever ate enough carrots as a kid. Bugs Bunny was really the only person I've ever seen who ate enough carrots. He ate so many that even in a dark room you could still see his eyes. It's probably why Fudd never shot him. Did Daffy have night carrot-fed night vision? Nope, and he had his beak blown off nearly every Saturday morning. Think about it.

#### 3) Drink whatever is in your fridge before it gets warm.

Orange juice, Gatorade, that old milk that's been in there all semester. Doesn't really matter what it is, just consume it before it gets warm. Why? Because old milk really is better served cold. Get creative if you want; everything is going to the same place so take a chance and mix everything together. If you've got ice-pops in the freezer, suck them down too and don't be afraid of brain freeze. Sure you only paid five bucks for that hundred-count bag but leave no ice-pop behind!

#### 2) Grab the Ouija board (combine with #3 and have a party).

Oh yes, the Ouija board. That's probably in the closet with the old Monopoly set that's only got fifty dollars and a top hat left, but go get it anyway. Find two or three friends who want to join in (I'm sure there are some out there), sit around and reminisce about the fifth grade all over again.

#### 1) Slop the pigs, churn some butter and go to bed.

If you're lucky enough to be Amish, then you're evening plans won't take a hit if the lights flicker out. While everyone else is sitting around whining that *Celebrity Fit Club* isn't on, you can chuckle quietly to yourself as you hand-wash your clothes and start work splitting wood for that new chair. If you've really got some time on your hands, throw together a hammock or two before the day's end.



Photo Courtesy of Subpop.com.

Members of Oxford Collapse will perform at the University of Mary Washington for Rocktoberfest as part of Homecoming celebration.

# News

## Suarez Speaks On Latino Identities

By RACHEL NANIA  
Staff Writer

On Thursday Sept. 21, for the first time in Ameet Vashee Rajagopal's 13 year career at the James Farmer Multicultural Center at the University of Mary Washington, the president of the University introduced a guest speaker in celebration of Latino Identities Month.

President William Frawley introduced Ray Suarez, acclaimed author and reporter for "News Hour" and National Public Radio's "Talk of the Nation." Suarez's visit was part of the Cultural Awareness Series Latino Identities Month-Long Celebration.

"The reason I wanted to do the introduction... is because what we do for diversity is a very important issue for the University, and it starts with me," Frawley said to an audience of more than seventy students, faculty, and community members.

Suarez spoke with the audience about topics such as the growing number of Latinos in the

United States, controversial immigration issues, and Latino-Americans' ties to political parties and religious affiliations. He also discussed the multiple Latino identities that exist, and the "un-midling" of the American economy, due in part to cheap labor.

it comes on this strong, it's sure to make people tense, or at least get their attention."

Suarez spent a good deal of his time discussing the controversy and the criticism arising from the article titled "Jose Can You See?" published in a 2002 edition of *Foreign Policy* magazine. The

article commented on how the U.S., due to the influx of Latino immigration, now has two ethnicities, two languages and two different cultures: Latino and American.

The article states that this is due in part to the lack of assimilation of Latinos into mainstream American culture, which is unlike other immigrants of different nationalities.

"With Latino immigration there is a run-up, a spike, and a plateau that never diminishes," Suarez said. "That rise of a coherent, consumer culture to meet the minority language needs of a block of immigrants is new, all

because technology can make it possible."

Suarez was referring to Spanish radio shows, TV shows, and Web sites.

While the many issues Suarez discussed were serious, he kept the interest of the students in the crowd, and even quoted Jennifer Lopez.

"I think a lot of the issues he dealt with tonight, like immigration, are good issues for students to hear, especially if they are interested in getting jobs that directly deal with Hispanic immigration," senior Jessica Rigel said after the event. "This is something that is going to influence us in the job market... and it's especially important [in bilingual jobs] to not only know the language, but also to be familiar with the Latino culture."

Johnny Casana, program coordinator at the James Farmer Multicultural Center, thought Suarez's talk, backed by facts and statistics, raised some pragmatic issues on the U.S. political front.

"He gave some extraordinary information on the nuances of Latino identity, and about what it actually means to be Latino, to be Hispanic, to be Chilean, and to assimilate immigration," Casana said. "It was really meaty, and I thought it lent a real air of legitimacy."

Ameet S. Vashee Rajagopal, was pleased with the overall turnout, but would have liked to see more students attend the event, which incidentally was at the same time as the *Grey's Anatomy* season premiere.

"We as professionals also need to be conscious of the fact that if that is the number one most popular show on the college campus, we shouldn't schedule a program at that time," Rajagopal said. "It's ridiculous to think of it that way, but I've always had that in mind."



Dan Coe/ Bulletin

"News Hour" Senior Correspondent Ray Suarez speaks to the UMW and Fredericksburg community in Great Hall last Thursday night.

"I am stunned by the changes I have seen in my lifetime," Suarez said on the issue of the increasing Latino population. "This kind of change used to happen more slowly in American society, so when

## Computer Thefts Continue This Year

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As a result of the recent thefts, Cooper said officers have increased their patrols and implemented new measures to ensure that doors are locked at night.

"When we find rooms open, we will notify the heads of the departments to let them know that we found so-and-so's door open after we lock it," he said. "We're getting a really good response from this."

The thefts this fall are a continuation of the trend set last spring when 18 laptops, valued at \$35,000, were stolen from duPont Hall, which is connected to Pollard Hall.

Police have since made arrests and charged two men in connection with the thefts from duPont Hall.

UMW is not alone in thefts of this nature.

According to Cooper, he has been in contact with the police departments of George Washington University and Virginia

Commonwealth University, both of which have been experiencing the same type of problems.

Lt. David Welch, commander of support services for VCU, said his campus goes through "a lot" of laptop thefts, but that the laptops are mostly stolen from students, not from academic buildings.

"The majority of laptops are stolen from student's rooms by housekeeping or grounds-keeping staff," he said.

Cooper requests that students who see anything or anyone suspicious in any of the buildings on campus report the incidents to police.

He also advocates recording the make, model and serial number of all laptops to aid police in locating them if they are ever stolen.

"I cannot stress enough the importance of recording this information," he said. "We have a much better chance of recovering stolen property when we have it."



Lauren Boston/ Bulletin

**Because We Can:** Over 150 Students participated in UMW's first "Underwear Run" on Tuesday night. The race, which was organized through a Facebook group, stretched between the bell tower and Jepson Hall and took place at 10:05 p.m. The run was in memory of the late Steve Irwin.

## Students Fight To Preserve War Site

By ELIZABETH CONWAY  
Staff Writer

Two University of Mary Washington historic preservation majors have taken on a mission to preserve a site where confederate soldiers placed cannons during the Civil War in 1862.

What appears to be an overgrown pile of earth behind Jefferson Hall is actually a lunette, which is the barrier earthen work that protected the cannon so it could be fired upon oncoming troops and minimize the risk to the soldiers firing it.

"Much of the Fredericksburg battlefield has been marred from appreciation due to development in the post-World War II era," said junior Emmanuel Dabney, a member of the historic preservation club as well as a historic preservation major. "As Fredericksburg continues to rapidly grow, more unpreserved land will be lost and this should not be another place forgotten."

Many students of historic preservation have learned about the importance and meaning of the lunette, but no one has yet to take action on further preservation of the fortification. That was until two active students, juniors Drew Gruber and Kate Egner, decided to help with maintaining the preservation of the lunette, with the help of other students.

Though there has been some erosion to the actual lunette because of time and the occasional bikers, it has remained very true to its original form. According to Bernard Chirico, vice president of student affairs and student dean, this preservation project is not a result of any state or school mandate but rather the school's respect for the history surrounding it.

"The lunette is in such a great current state

because it has adequate tree coverage to prevent run off, and over exposure to natural elements," Gruber said. "Likewise, it is technically off the beaten path for NPS [National Park Service] tourists and general public as well. It is one of few in such a good condition in the area."

Gruber and Egner had a meeting with Cedric Rucker, dean of student life, and Chirico, for Sept. 21. Both deans had positive things to say about the meeting with the two students.

"Both Kate and Drew were very professional but at the same time very engaging," Chirico said. "They have their information together, they came in knowing they were proposing something and that there would be a discussion. I never felt that they were making any sort of a demand instead they presented a way to work this out and different ways to think about."

The meeting held between the two students and the two deans was just a preliminary meeting and mainly informative on both sides. The students wanted to know where to go with their plans for further preservation of the lunette and the deans wanted to hear their ideas about how to preserve it.

According to Chirico, the next step is to take the

ideas to the president. He believes after this there will then be some discussions with the Board of Visitors.

Though there were many possibilities put forth on the table by the students to Chirico and Rucker, the first and foremost was further preservation of

the lunette and then the second was to make it more information readily available to students. According to Chirico, the dream goal of Gruber and Egner is to possibly bring back either replica cannon or the original cannon, which has been tracked to the Gettysburg National Park Service.

"The two most important actions that can be done is first and foremost, a sign that simply states 'Keep Off Earthworks,'" Dabney said. "These are resources that cannot be made original again and the best preservation method is to keep people off it as much

as possible. Allowing grass to grow on it is also important to mitigate soil erosion."

Though continued preservation is a main goal of the historic preservation club as a whole, the lunette does not seem to be in immediate danger.

"We do not think it's threatened, we want to see that is continued to be preserved," said Douglas Sanford, associate professor and director of the historic preservation department. "Although I know there has been some damage because of

people riding their mountain bikes on it."

This extensive research about the lunette has taken hard work from not only Gruber and Egner but also with the best wishes of multiple alumni and concerned students. According to Sanford, talks about further preservation of the lunette on Mary Washington's campus have only come up in the past year.

"This in a broad sense reflects the greater American interest in the civil war," Sanford said. "There has obviously been interest but that has grown in the last five to ten years. The popularity of reenactment is part of that as well. This has come up in the past year in terms of the club finding a couple members to take the lead on this."

Rucker and Chirico agree that the lunette is an important part of the historic campus but have some worries that increased awareness, especially to the public, could bring too many tourists.

"This is a campus, and they understand that," Rucker said. "We are seeking to balance the issue of liability and heavy traffic and heighten awareness about it."

Chirico also agreed with Rucker on the worry of heightened awareness about the lunette to others outside of the student body. He voiced concerns with what it would do to destruction of a historic area if more people became aware of the lunette and they starting walking all over the site, but he says that they not only had good responses but also supported their ideas with data.

"I think it represents who our students are and I think it represents well the education they've been getting," Chirico said. "Not just historic preservation students but just generally, the good thinking that they were doing and they are very committed to this."

**“As Fredericksburg continues to rapidly grow, more unpreserved land will be lost and this should not be another place forgotten.”**

—Junior Emmanuel Dabney



# Sports

## Eagles Capture First Home Win

*UMW Falls to Bison, Beats Lynchburg*

By STEPHANIE POTTER  
Assistant Sports Editor

Despite coming off a 3-0 loss to Gallaudet and facing a high-pressure opponent, the University of Mary Washington volleyball team stepped up to the net and defeated Lynchburg College on Thursday, 3-1.

The day before, the Eagles struggled against Gallaudet, dropping three straight games and falling to 0-2 in Capital Athletic Conference play.

Sophomore Sarah Tighe was disappointed with UMW's performance

could help UMW pull out a win in the end.

The Eagles moved on to Thursday's game with an increased determination to win.

Tighe, who lead the Eagles with 11 kills and 9 blocks, attributes team unity to the victory.

"We came together better as a team," she said. "There was more communication on the court and everyone was really pumped to get over the loss on Wednesday," she said. "We had lost every home game up to the Lynchburg game and I guess we got tired of giving our fans a bad showing."

As a result, the Eagles pushed hard to win their first game 30-23 before falling to the Hornets in game two, 30-18.

The following two games were intense, with UMW triumphing 30-19 in the third, and 30-24 in the fourth to bring their overall record to 9-5.

Other strong performances for the Eagles included Hueber, who recorded 16 kills and four service aces, and freshman Lindsey Scott, who added 30 assists. Harper had 14 digs for the Eagles, followed by Lutkenhaus with nine.

Head coach Dee Conway attributed the win to "team focus and determination to play better, with more energy and enthusiasm."

Tighe hopes the team will continue to record tallies in the win column.

"During the Lynchburg game, everything finally clicked," she said. "The crowd was behind us and we were all in a good mood and ready to work. I think that if we can maintain that level of effort for the rest of the games we can win against anyone that we come up against."

Conway sees some positive areas of the Eagles' progress, but notes areas of improvement, too.

"We are moving in the right direction, getting better but still working through some things," she said. "[We need to work on] being more consistent, becoming more efficient on offense and running tighter routes. Players are developing, and each day we are getting closer to the finished product."

The results of Wednesday's game against Marymount were not available at time of print.

**Next Game: FDU  
Saturday @ Messiah  
Time TBD**



Daniel Coo/Bullet

Sophomore Sarah Tighe spikes the ball over the net during Thursday's win over Lynchburg College. The Eagles fell to Gallaudet on Wednesday.

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against the Bison.

"We all knew that we could do better than what we did on Wednesday and we wanted to give our fans a win," she said.

Despite losing all three games, the Eagles never trailed by very much, losing by no more than nine points each time.

The Bison captured game one 30-21, game two 30-24, and game three 30-21.

Sophomores Kelley Hueber and Kathryn Carter led the Eagles with five kills apiece. Carter recorded three blocks as well.

Sophomore Sam Harper had eight digs for the Eagles, followed by freshman Anne Lutkenhaus with six. However, none of UMW's top players

By NICK NELSON  
Staff Writer

To New NFL  
Commissioner Roger  
Goodell:



Not many people know who you are yet. Don't worry, they will. Soon they'll forget all about the former NFL Commissioner, Paul Tagliabue, and be talking about how wonderful your tenure was.

After all, not many people can say they brought joy to a hurricane-ravaged city as the New Orleans Saints made their triumphant return to the Superdome.

Not many people can say they opened an arena for thousands of refugees, almost half the capacity of the stadium.

Few have the opportunity to put a team and a

city, once devastated by Hurricane Katrina, on display for the entire nation during Monday Night Football, arguably the highest-rated regular season sports program.

Monday's game showed the resolve of the city, the people of New Orleans and the nation.

As a fan of both the Saints and the New Orleans area, the damage from Katrina broke my heart.

So when you told me, and the rest of the nation, that football was coming back to New Orleans, I couldn't have been happier. Fans and players alike can return home now.

This is why I watch sports, for the improbable and the emotional.

For games like Indianapolis versus New York, where you get to see two brothers compete heatedly, and then walk off the field arm-in-arm, just like they did when they were

kids. For teams like the Ravens, who can come off five struggling seasons, to start the 2006 season 3-0, with an outstanding point differential (55 points for and six against), bested only by the Chicago Bears (60-7) and San Diego Chargers (67-7). For the karma in seeing divas like Terrell Owens benched by injury, and no-names like

49ers running back Frank Gore having a breakout season, with 200+ yards and three touchdowns in only two games.

I was starting to lose faith in professional sports. Baseball's steroid debacle made me lose faith in my two favorite baseball players, Sammy Sosa and Rafael Palmeiro. The Tour De France steroid accusations that shamed American rider Floyd Landis made me wonder who isn't cheating anymore. And even an 81-

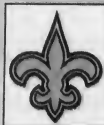
point performance couldn't wipe away the stain of a rape allegation against Kobe Bryant.

But your reign in office, as short as it has been so far, is making me realize all the great things to happen in sports. Little guys like the Chicago Bears are finally dominant again, and the teams that we all loved to hate are where they belong: at the bottom.

It reminds me that it's not so crazy to root for the underdog, and it's not so impossible to think that there can be a silver lining in even the worst situations.

So thank you, Roger Goodell, for reminding me why I love football, reminding me why I love sports and encouraging me to root for the little guy.

People may not know who you are yet, but don't worry. They will.



## Welcome Back, New Orleans

### — First Person —

## Upcoming Events

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Field hockey vs. Villa Julie, 1 p.m.

Oct. 1 - Women's soccer vs. Roanoke, 1 p.m.

Oct. 3 - Women's soccer vs. St. Mary's, 4 p.m.

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## Team of the Week

*The equestrian team placed first at their University of Maryland show last Sunday.*

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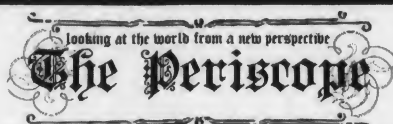
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## SNAPSHOTS OF PARIS

Laura Ryerse in Paris, France

"La Tour Eiffel" in the City of Lights, baguettes and berets, gourmet wine and cheese, Louis XIV and his magnificent Château de Versailles. There are many symbols of France and Paris that the rest of the world knows by heart.

If you mention one of these in casual conversation, the French enthusiast will get a little misty-eyed and make some comment like "c'est la vie." However, to the true Francophile these evocations of their beloved hexagonal country will produce a nod or maybe some small word of assent as the only visible signs that they are "in the know." At the same time, on the inside, they are flooded with a million treasured encounters from whenever they last visited "la belle France," or beautiful France.

I remember thinking when I first arrived that the women on the metro were quite picturesque with their many-colored fans. And then I realized just why there were so many women with fans -- it was hot! For several reasons I don't entirely understand, the French have never found it convenient to install air conditioning, anywhere. For two or three euros, my small paper and wood fan was an essential purchase.

One of the biggest questions the study abroad student must decide is whether they want the tourist or the native experience. Will you have someone take a picture of you holding up the Eiffel Tower or will you choose a café to visit daily for your favorite

cup of café au lait? For me at least, these two approaches must be combined in order to have a complete view of life wherever you travel.

Versailles is certainly a stunning château (it was a palace, after all), but



have you ever heard of Vaux le Vicomte? Built by Nicolas Fouquet in 1656, the château and gardens not only rival those of Versailles, they were the models. Our tour guide was a charming petite Frenchwoman whom we believe was more accustomed to giving tours to children. The Fouquet family symbol was a squirrel and as we passed from room to room she would point excitedly towards the ceiling, "un petit écureuil (à little squirrel)!" On a tapestry - "un petit écureuil!" Or even above the window frames - "un petit écureuil!"

I remarked wryly to a fellow Mary

Washer, "We might as well be back on campus with all these squirrels running about." To which I got the quick reply, "Yes, but at least Mary Washington didn't choose them as the primary decorating theme."

While gorgeous and full of history, you can feel the years seeping from the walls; the châteaux didn't excite me as much as simply walking along the streets of Paris. There is perhaps no other feeling on earth quite so wonderful as walking across Pont Neuf at night. The lights from the city bounce down to the gentle flow of the Seine River, playfully dancing under the bridges and over the pedestrians and buildings along the banks.

During the day, I'd often stop off at a bakery near Rue Mouffetard when my afternoon class let out. After purchasing a baguette for dinner, I'd get to negotiate the crowds of commuters and tourists on the street and in the metro while attempting to keep my precious baguette from touching anyone or anything.

In the words of Ernest Hemingway, "If you are lucky enough to have lived in Paris as a young man, then wherever you go for the rest of your life, it stays with you, for Paris is a moveable feast." The secret joys of Paris, the cafés and churches and alleyways most tourists never get a chance to visit, the many diverse and wonderful people I met -- all of these will remain for me a part of this moveable feast that I'll always treasure.

## "GUERNICA": FINALLY HOME

Diane Ritchie in Bilbao, Spain

As a mother of two teenagers and a wife, I never thought I would finish my bachelor's degree in Sociology, much less a second bachelor's degree in Spanish in Bilbao, Spain as a member of the University of Mary Washington's study abroad program. As I packed my bags for my four and a half weeks in Spain, I could feel the pains of guilt and apprehension setting in, for I was about to "leave the nest."

This would be my third time flying, and at 40 years of age I thought it was one of the most magnificent

native land with its native tongue. I was afraid, and I began to miss home. This star that I had been reaching for suddenly seemed out of reach, but I swallowed hard and fought back the tears. I knew I had to get to know these professors and give it my all.

Later that evening, we headed to the University of Deusto to meet our professors and to learn more about what would be expected of us as students studying abroad. What had seemed out of reach earlier in the day quickly came within reach as we walked



experiences that I had ever felt. My college experience has not followed the "usual" path. Every opportunity that I have had since I returned to college in 1997 has been embraced and experienced to the fullest. I was determined to spend my four and a half weeks in Bilbao, Spain with the same enthusiasm.

The first three or four days in Spain were spent sightseeing in Madrid, Toledo and Segovia. After this, we headed to Bilbao to begin our summer abroad academic experience. It was the arrival in Bilbao that sent a wave of nervousness through me that I had never before experienced. Suddenly, I realized that I wouldn't be sitting in a foreign language class, but rather I would be taught history and grammar in a

through the door and were greeted by the faculty, each one of them calling us by name. Suddenly, everything seemed all right. At that moment, I realized that people are very similar no matter where you go. Just within these few minutes I realized what it was like to be a stranger in a strange land and how at the same time we are all alike. I'm sure in just about every culture there is some way of "welcoming" a stranger. This gives us all something in common.

Over the next few weeks, I learned what it would be like to be a Spaniard as well as what it is like to be an American. In the United States, we take a lot for granted, such as air conditioning, our own private vehicle, ice and a

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## CENTURIES APART

Yun Heh in Greece

I had spent just about two weeks running around Greece and visiting places like Athens, Crete, and Delphi, but all of it was fantastic to the point of being unreal. How do I reconcile my 21st century life with things from centuries, even millennia past? Not to mention the cultural disjunction I felt, for I've long since given up trying to explain my classical studies to my parents, much less the rest of my family in Asia. It wasn't until the last evening there that everything fell properly into place for me.

We visited Cape Sounion to see the temple of Poseidon. It was evening, but the sun was only beginning to set. I stood on the rocky outcrop overlooking the sea, meters below. This was a place that had its

sacred roots extending back to the seventh century B.C., a time so remote that I could only fathom its existence in

gap between me and the ancient past. Here was evidence that people like me, though still quite awhile

felt a little tickle in his conscience as he walked over and began carving his name. I certainly hope so. Most famously, Lord Byron left his graffiti on this temple, yet there were also hundreds of names of plainer people. I felt a real empathy here. Though I resisted the urge to leave my mark, I smiled to see that so many people before me had given in to this small act of hubris.

"Place me on Sunium's marbled steep,

Where nothing, save the waves and I,

May hear our mutual murmurs sweep;

There, swan-like, let me sing and die:

A land of slaves shall ne'er be mine --

Dash down yon cup of Samian wine!"

-Lord Byron. Don Juan. Canto iii. Stanza 86. 16.



a purely academic sense.

The temple there was ill preserved, and though most of its columns were still standing, the grand decorations were gone and the stones were covered in graffiti. Strangely, it was this vandalism that bridged the

before my time, had reached out and touched the past. Perhaps decades ago some sailor stood where I stood, watching the sun beginning to set over his familiar sea, and he wanted a little piece of this glorious temple's history. Maybe he

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## OUT TONIGHT

Ashley Lippolis in Bilbao, Spain

It was 7:15 a.m. and I'd managed to drag myself out of bed and down to the deserted metro. The train arrived with its windows completely fogged over like in Kate and Leo's automobile love scene.

A throng of people poured out with neon shirts, black striped tights, leather wrist bands, face piercings that could gouge you and of course, mullets.

In Bilbao, the mullet isn't an elusive throwback to the '80s or a hick alert. After the 200th sighting, I had to give up my count and stop discreetly photographing them.

Shocked and groggy, I shoved my way through the doors and tried to find something to hold onto. The metro was still packed shoulder to shoulder with people who were just heading home from a long night of partying.

Typical nightlife in Spain doesn't really get started until 2 a.m. or later, and a few diehards will still be staggering home around 8 or 9 a.m.

Throughout the summer, pueblos all over Spain will sponsor a fiesta for a weekend. You can jump from town to town in an endless kaleidoscope of black lights, out door

bars, Shakira's truthful hips, churros and the most revolting port-a-potties I've ever been privileged to squat over.

During these fiestas, the partying starts earlier, ends later and everyone who is anyone is going to be out in the streets.

That weekend the town of Larrabastera, which has one of the best rated surfing beaches in the world and is

was that we were in Basque territory.

The Basques are an ethnic group in the northern part of Spain. Some of them passionately advocate independence and will tell you bluntly that they are Basque, not Spanish and that you are not in Spain, but País Vasco.

Many that night proudly wore bright green Euskal Herria, or Basque Homeland,

shirts and almost all of the bars had the Basque flag draped across the back wall.

The live band spoke and sang only in Euskera, the standardized Basque language.

This is unusual because normally in Bilbao you only hear Spanish spo-

ken on the streets and a few words of greeting in Euskera. Try English and you'll just get funny looks.

The group sounded a bit like Flogging Molly and they even had a bad ass accordion player rocking out with them. People danced a sort of jig to it that's part mosh and part River

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only a half hour metro ride from the UMW residence hall, sponsored fiestas in honor of Santa Carmen, patron saint of the seas.

Despite an early wake up call to see the prehistoric paintings of UNESCO World Heritage Site's Alta Mira Cave, my friends and I decided to check out the "goings-ons" in Larrabastera. One thing that stood out right away

## BEING DOWN UNDER

Marcella Cavallaro in Australia and New Zealand

On Sunday, May 21, I did not exist. It was, however for a very good reason. I was taking part in Mary Washington's "Australia and New Zealand Field Program" and that was the day we were flying across the international dateline to Australia. The program has occurred every summer for about six years with participants from around the country and Canada. On this trip, there were 17 total participants, 10 being from Mary Washington. We even had a Canadian.

From the moment we took off from Los Angeles International Airport, it was go, go, go. We had a detailed itinerary for every day of the four weeks that we were away. Even though we were extremely jetlagged upon arriving in Sydney, we had no choice but to take part in the scheduled bus tour, which was then followed by a lunch cruise around Sydney Harbor.

The program started out with a week in Sydney, followed by a week in Melbourne and a week in Cairns. There was the option to then continue on to New Zealand for an additional week. My roommate from fresh-

man year and I decided to participate in the whole program, which was a wise decision as the two countries were interesting and vastly different from one another.

As I stated earlier, we had a busy schedule, but looking back it was the best way to make the most out of our time. We spent the first week in Sydney touring the hot

where we spent the day touring the capital and embassies. We then took a small commuter plane south to Melbourne, where we stayed for the second week.

Melbourne was just as unique as Sydney, but it provided a more historical look at the country with a focus on the settlers and early agriculture. We spent one evening

ished our chores, we jetted off to Cairns.

Cairns was completely different from the other two cities because it was situated in the rainforest. It was in the 80s, unlike the other cities, which were a high of 60. We were able to spend one day snorkeling at the Great Barrier Reef, which was absolutely breathtaking.

While in Cairns, we visited the Atherton Tablelands and took a boat ride on an ancient volcanic crater. Our group was even lucky enough to see crocodiles along Cape Tribulation.

Cairns was our last stop in Australia before heading southeast to New Zealand.

We flew in to the windy city of Wellington and then took a week driving up towards Auckland, where we then departed for the states. The month abroad was a fantastic experience and every day was so different and exciting that it is hard to find one thing that was my favorite. Before leaving, I set a goal to see kangaroos, and we were able to see plenty in the wild and get great pictures. I must say that was my favorite accomplished goal while being down under!

spots, such as the Sydney Opera House and the Harbor Bridge. We learned about the history of Australia and about the aboriginal people. Not only did we learn about culture, but we learned about the surrounding environment with a day trip to the Blue Mountains. We had ample free time in the evenings to explore and immerse ourselves in the local culture. We even found ourselves eating kangaroo and crocodile pizza!

Our next stop was to the country's capital, Canberra,

at the Old Melbourne Gaol and went on a night tour that told about crime and punishment in the 19th century. Melbourne is also noted to be the fashion capital, so we spent our free day on Chapel Street checking out the boutiques.

Following Melbourne, we drove along the Great Ocean Road and learned about early navigation to Australia. The Great Ocean Road led us to Kangaroo Island where we spent the day doing chores on a real working Australian farm. Once we fin-



## "CULTURAL ENVOY" SCHOLARSHIP

Beginning fall semester 2007, the Office of International Academic Services will provide one University of Mary Washington student planning to study abroad with a \$5,000 scholarship. This student will serve as the first recipient of the Cultural Envoy Program scholarship.

What is the Cultural Envoy Program? The Cultural Envoy Program is a scholarship program seeking to make international study available to more students as well as expanding the study abroad program at the University of Mary Washington.

How will this program benefit UMW students studying abroad? • enable the students to become active participants before studying abroad while developing the cognitive means to understand the study abroad experience;

• integrate students into the host culture while engaging them in community service or a substantial international project;

• help them utilize and integrate the study abroad experience into their professional development;

• facilitate the development of global connections from which students can build in the future;

• help students develop skills in public speaking, program organization and management, and the cultural skills necessary to work with diverse people.

U M W and its partner institutions abroad will benefit from having true envoys working on special projects which will build communication and cooperation between international partners and the communities in which they reside.

Who is eligible for the program? Students will be selected based on academic merit, financial need, on- and off-campus involvement, and interest and enthusiasm in the program and study abroad in general.

All academic majors can apply.

How to apply: To apply, Envoys will be required to submit a short letter of intent, a resume and answers to three essay questions which will define their interest and a normal course load while abroad. Envoys will participate in either a culturally intensive service project or work closely with the study abroad support office on a project. Envoys will have been in contact with the study abroad office at their international destination to arrange service activities or projects prior to departure. U M W partner universities abroad have confirmed their willingness to participate in this program (University of Edinburgh, Swansea University, University College Cork, Lingnan University, University of Otago, James Cook University, University of Deusto, University of Westminster, and Advanced Studies in England) and to oversee and supervise Envoy projects.

Project at Home- Envoys will provide one additional semester of service upon return from studying abroad. Students will adopt a project at UMW which builds upon the connections they made abroad and prior to departure. Projects will assist students with re-integration into the United States, allow them to share their experiences abroad with a larger audience, and to assist IAS with marketing and printed materials which specifically focus on where they studied abroad. The Envoys will serve as bridges between IAS and partner study abroad offices by assisting in training newly accepted Envoys. Examples of projects might include activities to promote communication and interaction between international and American students in the US, or working with community businesses, service organizations and educational groups.

If you have any questions regarding the Cultural Envoy Program, please contact the Office of International Academic Services at (540) 654-1870.

Project Abroad- In addition to taking

potential future projects:

1) What qualities represent a good Cultural Envoy and how do you exemplify these qualities? 2) Why do you think students do not choose to study abroad and what can a study abroad office do to overcome these issues? 3) How can technology be used to foster study abroad programs? The purpose of these questions is to solicit ideas from the Envoys which they can implement as projects at a later time.

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# NO FREE REFILLS?

Jaime Jennison in Erfurt, Germany

"There are no free refills in Germany." I remember my Professor saying at our first group dinner. The small comforts of home withered away after that initial night as we set out on Mary Washington's first group excursion to Erfurt, Germany. Erfurt is the capital of the province of Thuringia in East Germany. We studied at the University of Erfurt, which is well known for the attendance of Martin Luther. It was one of the most beautiful cities I have ever visited, feeling large enough with its tall buildings and a Cathedral, yet small enough with its canals, beautiful gardens and of course street cafes.

I had never been to the East before and decided ahead of time that it would be like the rest of Germany. However, the East has not yet fully recovered from the years before the reunification of Germany. The streetcar stop where our dorm was located was called Arbeitsamt, which means Employment Center. Every morning, the office was bustling with people. East Germans are considered to have a "different mentality" about work, supposedly being lazier. Much of the unemployment, as we learned, is due to the unavailability of jobs. For about 30 years, the East Germans had

the security of a job, a home and a decent income. With the change, many were not eligible for more demanding jobs, which created a problem for the economy. With no work, the area cannot rebuild. This is apparent just by looking at some of the buildings.

On the outskirts of downtown, one can see the scars left behind in boarded up windows and doors and graffiti covered walls. The money to restore these buildings is not available like it is in the West. This was

was a normal occurrence, and he said that, "some East Germans think the communist way of life was better, and if they could, they would go back to it."

The German friends that our group made talked a lot about the variations between the East and West. They compared it to Americans from the North and the South, where, along with a different accent, there can be a slight annoyance with one another. Many of the food and drink products were different, some only being made in the East and becoming almost a novelty to the rest of Germany. However, our world of super-sizing and Costco's were foreign ideas to both students from the East and the West. The West Germans that attended the university made clear to us that they were not locals and that they did in fact come from the West — where things were "different". The East German students took no offense to this, but instead proceeded to make jokes about their accent. The division between the two is subsiding and with the growing generation, it will soon be nonexistent.

Being able to experience firsthand how a country and its people behave is the best way to truly master a language. Partaking in Germany's culture and everyday life was such an advantage to my usual dose of 50 minutes classes on the subject. The opportunity of being able to study German in Germany for the summer was well worth it and I would not change it for anything, not even a free refill.

therefore one of our main topics during the trip: seeing the transformation that the East has made and still has to make since the falling of the wall. One memory that stands out in my mind is walking through a grocery store one day and seeing a large German man with a beard, wearing a jersey that read: "DDR #1." The DDR stands for the Deutsche Demokratische Republik, which is the former socialist East Germany. I asked one of my German friends if that



# A REASSURING MOMENT

Ken Scheiber in Parque Carolina, Ecuador

In every intercultural experience I have had, I have always felt divided as though I am half-teacher and half-student. Through learning from others, I have taught others, and through teaching others, I have learned more than I ever could have hoped.

One experience that sticks out in my mind was when I was in Ecuador. I was in

dinero despacio y sin perturbación," or "I want you to give me your money, slowly and without disturbance." This was scary since I had never been mugged before. As I slowly reached into my hidden

and said, "Señor, no puedo robarle. Tenga piedad de mi cuando usted rece;" or "Sir, I cannot rob you. Have mercy on me when you pray." As he tried to walk away, I walked up beside him and gave him three dollars I had in my pocket.



This is one of the meaningful

El Parque Carolina in the afternoon of a February day. It was 6 o'clock and the sun was beginning to set so that the sky had a reddish hue. The park had four kilometers of green grass stretching out from the bench that I was sitting on in every direction. It was warm, but not humid. I was saying a rosary in the park because when I am nervous or homesick I usually pray.

A man with faded jeans and a blue t-shirt casually sat down next to me. This seemed natural, so I made room. Then, the man bent down next to me and whispered in my ear, "Señor, quiero que me dedusted su

jeans pocket to retrieve the few small bills, the rosary that I had clenched in a closed fist slipped out of my hand revealing itself to my assailant. While I reached down to collect my rosary, the St. Christopher medal that I had been wearing around my neck suddenly revealed itself so that when I sat back up and held out my money for him to take it lay on the outside of my t-shirt rather than under it. In case the reader is not Catholic, St. Christopher is the patron saint of travelers.

Upon seeing this, he gazed at me like a deer in headlights. He stood up facing me, not looking me in the eye,

moments I can recall from time I have spent abroad. I can say that this was a unique experience since it refreshingly reinforces my belief that people are basically good and are not born to do harm to others, but occasionally stray down the wrong path. This is a way for me to remember that God dwells in every man and that if I serve other people I can touch the human face of God. It is this willingness to reach out to others and to exchange stories and ideas that is one means of contributing to your environment.

## UMW STUDY ABROAD

### Exchange Programs:

- Exchange programs- meaning students pay tuition here and trade places with people overseas
- Hong Kong: Lingnan University
- Germany: University of Erfurt
- France: The exchange in Paris is with a consortium of public French universities called MICEFA (La Mission Interuniversitaire de Coordination des Echanges Franco-Américains)

### Direct Enroll Programs:

- Direct enroll programs- meaning they sit in classes with "natives" and participate in university life as normal student.
- UMW has 10 partner universities at which our students participate in
- These direct enroll programs are at the American University in Cairo, Australia National University, James Cook University, University College Cork, University of Deusto, University of Edinburgh, University of Otago, University of Westminster, University Wales, Bangor, and Swansea University.

### Faculty Led Programs:

- 12 faculty led programs
- Additional faculty are in the pipeline to create programs for Summer, 2008
- Previous summer programs: Erfurt, Germany; Bilbao, Spain; Paris, France; Orvieto, Italy; Cromarty, Scotland; traveling European Capitals; and traveling Australia/New Zealand.
- New programs will be offered in Istanbul, Turkey; Fes, Morocco, Tofino, Canada; traveling Classics in Italy, and traveling Psychology in Europe.

### Study Abroad Enrollment:

- This year's study abroad enrollments are 24% over the same period last year. Projections for this year are for 270 students.

### Growth in the Study Abroad Program:

- The number of students studying for a semester or year has been increasing slightly over the last three years with increasing numbers going on UMW direct enroll programs.
- The area of growth is in faculty led programs in which enrollments have increased 36% over the last three years (89 in 2003 compared to 139 in 2006).

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Reina Sofia in Madrid staring at Picasso's most famous painting, "Guernica". I was not at all prepared for my reaction as I stepped into the room to view this piece of artwork that I had read so much about. As I rounded the gallery divider, a wave of emotion swept over me that I had no control over. I began to cry. I tried to gather my thoughts and emotions, but it was no use. The sight of "Guernica" unleashed all the emotions that I had felt while reading accounts of the Spanish Civil War and the

horrors experienced by so many Spaniards, along with those who fought for the Republic. For twenty minutes the tears continued. When asked why I was crying I couldn't answer. How could one painting represent so much? Maybe it was seeing it at its final resting place — Madrid, Spain. "Guernica" had come home. It rightfully belonged to the Spanish people, and here it was. And there was I.

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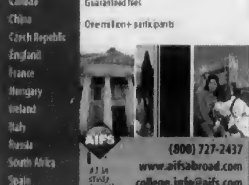
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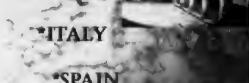
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## FORGET THE CHECKLIST

Lydia Humphries in Spain

The realization dawned on a warm, muggy weekday in June. Months of planning were coming to fruition. My trip to Spain was rapidly approaching. You actually have to speak Spanish when you go to Spain, I reminded myself. Yikes. I tried to forget.

Forget seeing familiar faces and appliances that will properly plug into wall sockets. Forget reading English. My own voice of doom, I was soon preoccupied with visions of myself lost in a strange city, wandering down street after meandering street and unable to remember a single conjugated verb.

Nevertheless, I soon found myself getting ready for Europe with a checklist and barely a clue. A million things went through my mind. Did I have everything? What if I get

separated from the group? Most importantly, where was my dictionary? Focused on my shortcomings in the language, I was soon on a plane still convinced that Spain was merely a Babel across the

of Spanish. I found myself unready for things like beautiful old cathedrals, historic buildings, monumental architecture, quaint towns and works of art. Things like

Things like smiles, laughs and kindness to a stranger in a foreign city. Worrying about my language skills, I found myself unprepared for things that were not in my dictionary or suitcase. I was unprepared for culture, art and humanity.

At the end of the program, I returned home.

A few souvenirs made my bags a pound or two heavier. New experiences made me just a little wiser. And, while I learned a bit more Spanish, I also made a discovery. Sometimes, dictionaries and check sheets are worthless anyway.

Atlantic.

However, I was wrong.

In spite of my planning, packing, notes and lists, I found instead that I had arrived unprepared. Unprepared for what was not contained in my two bags and my coveted dictionary. Unprepared for what was not covered in my two semesters



## A FAREWELL TO MRS. RATTIGAN

By Erin Leach-Kemon

After five years of dedication to the Office of International Academic Services, Helen Rattigan is retiring. Serving as the office manager, Rattigan supervises the initial intake for study abroad, including program workshops and the review of applications. Chris Musick, the director of IAS, stated: "She has taken over responsibilities from me and allowed me to focus on other things. She has really gone above and beyond what her job description is."

Charlotte Corbett-Parker, program support technician and receptionist of IAS, described how years ago, Rattigan and her husband went to Florence, Italy. Every time a student comes in and speaks of a desire to study in Italy, Corbett-Parker

explained, Rattigan enthusiastically tells them of the best sites to visit. "She loves Florence and really wants to go back one day. She really encourages the students and gets them really excited about it," Corbett-Parker said. Regarding Rattigan's role as an advisor, Musick stated: "Helen's strength is really in her advising of students. She has performed that very well."

Kimiko Ebata, a senior at UMW and intern at IAS, shared her experience of preparing for study abroad under Rattigan's advising: "As a student who went abroad, Mrs. Rattigan supported me every step of the way, making the entire process as painless as possible. She organized my thoughts prior to studying

abroad, and she inspired me more and more with each interaction we shared."

Rattigan plans to move to Loraine, Ohio. Her son, daughter, nieces and grandchildren live in the area. Having gone to high school there, she explained that she is looking forward to going back home and having family around her. Rattigan described how one of her friends from Ohio, Karen, would always tell her, "I wish you lived here."

While she will be greatly missed at Mary Washington, we at IAS wish Mrs. Rattigan the best of luck in all her future endeavors.

On October 5th, a reception will be held at 4 p.m. in Mrs. Rattigan's honor in Dodd Auditorium's foyer.

## THE ITALIAN EXPERIENCE

Monic Escamilla in Orvieto, Italy

Sunflowers, villas, falling in love, cappuccinos, Frank Sinatra, wine and perhaps the movie, Under the Tuscan Sun are sure to bring together the typical description of a vacation in Italy. While many of those stereotypes did arise on some occasions, my one month stay under the Umbrian sun far surpassed the "norm" of Italian living that has been embedded in the minds of those not fortunate enough to experience the real thing.

During the month of July, I traveled with a group of Mary Washington students to Orvieto, a small town situated between Rome and Florence. Not only was this an ideal location, but the small town itself was a perfect setting to become acquainted with the Italian language and culture. Spending one month in Orvieto, we began to see familiar faces of the fellow townspeople. Even if my Italian was not very good, they were very excited to see that I was trying. Even the fruitivendolo (fruit vendor) taught me a few Italian words. Many nights in Orvieto, I would sit with my friends on the steps of the cathedral in the main piazza, enjoying our gelato, while observ-

ing the everyday activities of the people in Orvieto. I was amazed to see how different our lifestyles were compared to the lifestyles of Italians. Walking outside around 11 p.m., one would think it was only 7 p.m. Couples, families and friends would all be out at this time, night strolling along the streets, eating gelato, walking pets or sitting at cafes. Yet every morning as I was walking to

at a hostel. Ours was clean, safe and most importantly, very cheap.

Of course my stay in Italy would not have been the same without mentioning the World Cup. I was only in Orvieto when they won the World Cup, I cannot even imagine the excitement and intense partying that happened in the big cities. On the night Italy won, families, crazy teenagers, young children and elderly people alike headed toward the main piazza; this was an event in which everyone participated and was eager to show their love and pride toward their Italy. People honked their horns, played music,



class, I would see these same people up and ready for the day to begin. Aside from Orvieto, I was also able to travel during the weekends to places such as Rome and Florence, as well as Cinque Terre, which consists of five villages that lie on the shores of Tuscany. In Cinque Terre, I had my first experience staying at a youth hostel, and I couldn't have been happier with my choice. I recommend to anyone traveling abroad to stay

sang and set off fireworks. Even on the second night in this small town, everyone was back at the piazza once again celebrating this victory.

My month in Italy could not have been any better. The only thing I wished for was more time, but hopefully I will study abroad for a semester next year in Milan and have new adventures to experience.

## MISSING THE BOAT...

Tori Kuhr on the Island Santorini, Greece

There are 588 plus steps down to the old port. To be more specific, the old port on Santorini, a Greek island where Heidi Meredith, Courtney Easley, Courtney Alexander (from Cornell) and myself decided to meet up for our spring break. That is the beauty of studying in Europe: being able to meet up with your friends, who are studying in various countries, practically anywhere in Europe that you'd like. On this particular day, we found ourselves hiking down 588 steps to the old port where we were going to take a boat from Santorini to the volcanic island off the coast called Caldera. What we did not realize was that in order to get to the old port, we had to climb down 588 steps, which were carved in a zigzag pattern in the side of a cliff. As we started our decent, a few Australians on donkeys jostled past us, laughing nervously. An idea occurred to us: what an interesting way for us to get back up the cliff.

At the port, we boarded a boat that would take us for a 20-minute ride out to Caldera -- the

volcano which hints at the possibility that Santorini was once the mythic island of Atlantis. Our boat was full of tourists of all ages and nationalities. When we arrived at our destination, we walked over the red-ashen volcanic rock path, which took us to the top of the island. Somehow, we, as well as a few others, missed the boatman announcing what time the boat would be departing. After walking all around the island, we slowly started our way back to the boat, but I lagged behind my friends, taking more pictures. Heidi and Courtney rounded the side of the island in enough time to see our little boat pulling away from port. We literally had missed the boat. Thankfully, a few minutes later, some nice southern ladies that we had befriended noticed we were miss-

ing, and the boat turned around. I did not realize what was happening, so I took my time getting back to the boat, only to arrive with a loud blast from the horn. I was glad that I was not the last person to arrive as it was embarrassing to be the one keeping the

boat as everybody on board cheered for him and gathered to watch. One by one, people jumped off, including Heidi and Courtney. Courtney Easley took pictures of them since she was not going to swim. She asked me if I was, and I said, "I only have my bathing suit top on," although, I did have my bottoms with me. At that point, one of the nice southern ladies turned to me and said, "You might as well while you're here," and I knew she was right. I changed and was the last person from the boat to plummet into the extremely cold Aegean Sea. I lost a contact on my way in, but it was well worth it. It was one of those moments where you've really got nothing to lose. It was an opportunity that if I let slide, I knew I would always regret. After all, I was in Greece!

Once back on the boat, there was a group of older Japanese tourists on board who wanted us to get in pictures with them. We

had become a tourist attraction of sorts. We are not sure why; we had only jumped into the water. Maybe it was that act that they wanted to remember.

Back at port, another adventure awaited us: climbing back up 588 stairs by way of donkey. I am very scared of heights, and climbing up the side of a cliff by way of donkey was not very appealing to me. At that point, though it was a do-whats-scares-you type of day, so I was committed to being adventurous. Up those steps we went, by donkey. Most of the time, I had one eye closed, so I could not see over the edge. I even named my donkey Sam, and kept imploring him not to go near the edge where some enticing grass was calling his name as a little snack. 588 steps later, we had all survived our donkey rides. All in all, we had hiked a volcanic island, gone swimming in the Aegean Sea, taken a donkey ride up the side of cliff and we were now off to rent a car, for we planned to drive to Oia to watch a remarkable sunset. As Courtney would say, it was all "kind of amazing."



boat. After we all boarded, the boat took us around the island and anchored in the Aegean Sea. Passengers were then allowed to jump off into the Aegean and swim to the hot springs, which were not far away. Without hesitation, one boy jumped off the

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Dance while clinging to their two liter Coca-Cola bottles of Kalimotox, a mix of Coke and cheap red wine that's the life blood of young Basques and a favorite to

order at bars or mix at home.

Up close and personal American style dancing is a rarity that never ceases to draw attention and tends to send the wrong message amongst a group of people

legendary for their prude women.

We hopped around with everyone else, cheered even though we had no clue what the lead singer was saying and tried to look inconspicuous when one of the songs

had an interlude where everyone pumped their fists and shouted "ETA".

Around 3 a.m., we caught the metro home despite cries of, "But it's just getting started, where are

you going?" 7 a.m. came around way too quickly and when I made it to the metro most people were just beginning to come home -- in hordes.



# Viewpoints

## Students Show Commitment To The Children Of Copprome

By ASHLEY LIPPOLIS  
Guest Columnist

By 1 p.m. on a Sunday afternoon, most college students are still crawling out of bed and staggering to brunch. But last May, by 1 p.m., Campus Walk was bursting with hundreds of people from practically every UMW organization. What could bring so many sleepy college students out and fill them with energy and excitement on a rainy Sunday? Orphans who need their help.

Over two years ago, UMW student Shin Fujiyama visited Copprome Orphanage in El Progreso, Honduras, for the first time. That trip changed his life forever.

El Progreso is one of the poorest regions in Honduras. Children there are abandoned or orphaned by AIDS and left to life on the streets where gangs, drugs and prostitution await them. They dig barefooted through landfills to find food every day.

Copprome Orphanage is a haven for the seventy plus children from El Progreso that live there. They go to school, have meals and clean water and for the first times in their lives enjoy luxuries we take for granted—like shoes and mattresses.

But in such a poor community, Copprome has very little resources. Fujiyama created a non profit organization called Students Helping Honduras (SHH) and began a chapter at Mary Washington to make sure these children could get all the help they needed.

SHH collects clothes, toys, school supplies and other donations for the children from the Mary Washington student body. Over fall, winter, spring and summer breaks students go down to Honduras to volunteer at Copprome and give the children the love and affection they so desperately need.

But last winter, Copprome's sister orphanage, La Flecha, had to close down from a lack of

funds and Copprome was flooded with the girls from La Flecha. Overcrowded and struggling just to keep its doors open, Copprome called out to SHH for help. Mary Wash students stood up to the challenge and raised \$120,000 in the Students Helping Honduras Walkathon.

Now, as SGA President Jay Sinha put it, "Students Helping Honduras is the premiere

orphanage is still struggling to pay for everyday needs like medicine, school supplies and shoes.

That's where SHH and Mary Washington come in. Luckily, this time SHH isn't asking you to walk ten miles or even raise any money to help change the world. Instead, this Monday, Oct. 2, they will hold the first ever Students Helping Honduras Charity Poker Tournament in tandem

watermelons, their favorite treat. The children are really excited because they only get to eat them a few times a year when they have the means."

SHH member Brian Strider said, "This could be the last big fundraiser for SHH for 2006, so we have to work fast."

Held from 4 p.m. until 10 p.m., students will be asked to pay a 5 dollar admission fee and then to enjoy themselves. All profits will go directly to Honduras. Free food and drinks will be served and if you don't already know how to play there will be people to teach you.

Fujiyama explained, "This is such a great idea because people at our school love to play poker and love to reach out to those who are less fortunate. They can do both of these on Monday."

They can also win some sweet prizes. Movies, gift certificates and iTunes gift cards will be raffled off and the grand prizes include a \$100 American Express gift card, an iPod nano and a poker table with poker chip set.

"Over the past two years, the entire Mary Washington community has displayed a tremendous level of interest in supporting Copprome Orphanage," said SHH member Justin Simcone.

"I feel as if Shin has empowered our student body to reach beyond our walls and look to the world around us. This tournament is but a drop in a growing stream of charity, good will and development," said Sinha.

Simcone went on to say, "as the work that SHH has accomplished so far demonstrates, college students can have a fundamentally positive impact on their world—whether that is in Honduras or beyond. The upcoming Poker Tournament is just another way to bring Mary Washington students closer to the children at Copprome. Of course, it's a great way to have some fun as well."

Ashley Lippolis is a junior.



Photo Courtesy Ashley Lippolis

Irma, who lives at Copprome in El Progreso, Honduras, enjoys a watermelon.

charity at Mary Washington."

The hard work and incredible energy of our student body helped save Copprome Orphanage, but we are not done yet.

SHH raised the money for an addition to be built at Copprome and to pay off their land debts, but SHH founder Shin Fujiyama explains that the

with SGA Spirit Week.

The tournament's goal is to raise money to buy school supplies and other high-need items, but Fujiyama also wants to be able to do something special for the orphans. Fujiyama said, "Before I left the orphanage this summer, I promised the kids that I would buy them some

## Sexclamations

### Casual Sex, Double Standards

By Elz England, Staff Writer



No one has ever said to me: "woman, go back to the kitchen!" I have never been forced to cook or do someone

else's laundry (mainly because my "food" is inedible and I mysteriously turn white loads pink.) But, this is a step forward from the "Leave It To Beaver" generation.

Yet, sexism and double standards still exist. We should be thankful that American society encourages women to work and be mothers, but we should not be naive about attitudes towards sex.

Rationally, if a man can have casual sex with many women without significantly tarnishing his reputation, then a woman should have the same right.

"Should" is the operative word in that sentence. I argue that it is a simple fact of reality that women who have a hefty sexual history are viewed as whores, while their male counterpart is simply a "player," charismatic, or just plain hot.

It is much more common to hear someone say "Bob is such a player! But he's a really nice guy." You rarely hear someone defend a "whore" by saying, "yeah, but she's nice!" If you do hear this, you're most likely thinking "of course she's nice, and generous, who hasn't she slept with?"

I agree with Dan that this is wrong and just plain mean. It's an injustice we should speak out against. Call your friend out when he or she labels a girl a "slut," but pats a guy friend on the back for another notch in the belt.

But, don't blithely forge onwards pretending a double standard doesn't exist. I don't mean to say: "Girls, don't have sex, or else you're a whore." I mean to say be cognizant of this reality and make sure you're ready to face it

before you decide to sleep with someone. There are people out there who would call you names for sleeping with one person in a monogamous relationship. Be prepared.

Sure, the term "man-whore" exists, but it is a very lighthearted label. It does not carry the same weight as "whore," because there is not the insinuation of "damaged goods." I don't personally make these judgmental remarks, but I want to remind you that many people do.

To address another issue of Dan's endorsement of casual sex: please be safe.

In theory casual sex seems awesome. But, Herpes, HPV and HIV aren't half as much fun as endless nookie.

Condoms don't protect against everything and most people fail to use them during oral sex. Birth control isn't 100 percent effective. We're all extremely busy college students, so think how easy it is to forget a dose of birth control or to take it more than three hours late. This reduces the effectiveness of oral contraceptives.

Having random sex with a really hot chick you met at a party sounds wonderful. Her knocking on your door a month later to say "you're going to be a dad" doesn't sound as wonderful. So, perhaps you should take every single precaution.

Even if you ignore everything else I say, think about this: not knowing your partner can lead to a huge disappointment.

Girls, is that guy you bring home going to find the spot without a map and hour-long tutorial? Guys, is the girl you find at a party stumbling drunk going to be a decent lay? Having a steady partner opens many doors sexually.

Please write in to [umwbulet@gmail.com](mailto:umwbulet@gmail.com) to respond the positions of Elz or Dan. We hope to print your responses next week.

## Tiers To You, Kid!

By Tierney Plumb, Associate Editor

It is 11:45 p.m. and an ominous bell rings throughout Simpson Library. I suddenly regret having wasted the past half hour creating a study playlist on my iPod, realizing I have four more chapters of Intro to Psychology to cover before my midterm the next morning.

This was me three years ago, sitting in the third floor stacks overlooking a vacant library. "The calm before the storm," I thought.

Literally. Hurricane Isabel was headed towards Fredericksburg and professors had cancelled all of Friday morning's midterms—all except for mine, scheduled for 8 a.m.

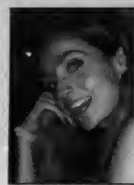
A wave of panic swept over me as I realized I had to find shelter—a place to cram. First stop: caffeine.

If it is Thursday, the Eagles Nest is open for late night until 1:30 a.m.

Flex a venti Jazzman's café and ignore those students laughing and stuffing their faces with chicken wings. You'll reward yourself this weekend.

Trinkle is a five minute walk uphill, and it stays open all night. There is usually an empty seat along the long wooden tables to sit and focus.

Just don't look up. There is always "that weird sophomore" sitting in the corner staring



behind his stack of Dostoevskys.

Over the years I have learned some all-nighters work, some don't. As an English major, I have spent countless nights typing away in Trinkle's basement and the *Bullet* office, writing 15-page analyses of Chaucer's use of Middle English.

Just don't hand papers in cold turkey. Edit.

Professors can tell if you started on page one at 1 a.m. and there's no time to fix MLA format if class is in 20 minutes.

For other subjects such as math and bio, it is best to clock at least three hours of shuteye. Recalling calculus formulas plus no sleep equals F.

To study cells, my friend Jena gulped three 16-oz. Mountain Dews from 3 a.m. to 7 a.m. All she learned that night was over 200 milligrams of caffeine is not physiologically good for the body. She was giggling and shaking as she scribbled letters on her Scantron.

On the other hand, some all-nighters encompass the college experience.

Freshman year I hitched a ride to Wawa with a student also typing a paper in Trinkle at 2 a.m. Not only was he a cute senior, but I got an A.

Need advice? That's what I'm here for. [tplumb3pg@umw.edu](mailto:tplumb3pg@umw.edu)



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Brewed coffee (decaf): 3-4 mg.  
Tea (reg.): 40-60 mg.

Mountain Dew: 55 mg.

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# Sports

## Soccer Earns Second Shutout

*Eagle Women Pummel Gophers 8-0, End Win Streak With 1-0 Loss To York*

By JEREMY JORDAN  
Staff Writer

After struggling early in the season, the University of Mary Washington women's soccer team finally had lady luck on their side Thursday.

Already up 2-0 in a CAC battle against Goucher College, Eagles sophomore Hannah Pearson unleashed a shot that was blocked by a diving Bri Girard, Goucher's freshman goalie.

With Girard still sprawled out on the field, Pearson calmly collected the loose ball and put in the open net, putting UMW up 3-0.

It was this combination of luck and persistence that characterized the first half of play for the Eagles and left head coach Kurt Glaeser very pleased.

"That was one of the best first halves we've played all year," he said. "Granted these weren't the National Champs that we lost to last year. But it was still one of the best halves we've had."

Prior to Pearson's goal, the Eagles had managed to get on the board early, dominating from the start and scoring from every angle in a decisive 8-0 victory.

Sophomore Alia Lanewala credited UMW's strong start to teamwork.

"We came out against Goucher really strong," she said. "Every player clicked and all the hard work we've been putting into practice finally paid off."

UMW's hard work showed, their first corner kick coming less than two minutes into the game. Lanewala took most of the Eagles' corners.

Goucher goalie Girard was able to hold off the furious Eagles attack at first, blocking a shot just inside the 18-yard box from Pearson.

However, Goucher had not seen the last of Pearson, who helped the Eagles get on the board 13 minutes into the game after leading senior Jaclyn Gebbia ahead on a breakaway. She would finish with a little roller past Girard who had come off of her goal line.

Less than two minutes later, sophomore Kelley Hardgrove flew down the left wing and was able to pick out Gebbia with a perfect cross. Gebbia took advantage of Hardgrove's assist, placing the ball inside the far goal post.

UMW goalie

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Daniel Coe/Bullet

Freshman Molly McCluskey dribbles past a Goucher defender in pursuit of the goal. The Eagles put on a shooting clinic Thursday, scoring eight goals to Goucher's zero before falling to York College of Pennsylvania Saturday, 1-0.

sophomore Laura McCarthy had another relaxing day in goal, touching the ball for the first time with 22 minutes to go in the first half. The Eagles' defense acted as a cohesive unit, as not a single shot was fired by the Goucher offense.

While McCarthy rested, UMW's offense was just getting started. A corner from Lanewala was met in the air by freshman Allison DiPippa, who volleyed it off the inside of the post.

Not to be outdone, Gebbia stole the ball away from the nearest Goucher defender for a goal and a hat-trick.

The Eagles put an

exclamation point on the first half as freshman Katelynn Estefani extended UMW's lead to 6-0 off another Lanewala corner kick.

Glaeser was happy with UMW's performance. "I was really pleased with the energy," he said. "We hunted really well and created a lot of turnovers."

Gebbia agreed. "We came out really strong with good intensity," she said. "We would've beaten anyone with that intensity."

UMW continued to play with energy in the second half, tacking on two more insurance goals. The Eagles continued their success off corners as DiPippa scored for her second goal of the game and UMW's seventh of the day.

Freshman Molly McCluskey would be the last to get on the board, grabbing the loose ball after an outside shot by DiPippa was blocked and sealing the 8-0 victory.

According to Gebbia there was a definite turning point leading up to UMW's game against

Goucher.

"After the Messiah game, we knew that we had it in us to actually compete with the top teams in the nation," she said.

However, the Eagles were unable to continue their winning streak, falling to York College of Pennsylvania Saturday, 1-0.

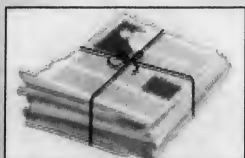
The loss aside, Glaeser believes the CAC title is up for grabs.

"There are five or six teams that could win the conference," he said. "It's the teams that bring their 'A' game most often that will win the Conference."

The results of Wednesday's game against Marymount were not available at time of print.

**Next Game: Roanoke  
Sunday @ UMW  
1 p.m.**

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